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Miss AGNES WHITEHEAD.
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(2). To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
(3). To fix the remuneration of the Directors.
(4). To re-elect Directors in place of those who retire.
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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

TOWN HALL.

MONDAY, MARCH 26th at 9-30 P. M.
BOMBAY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S
CONCERT.

JOHN GILPIN BY COWEN:
and other miscellaneous items.

Tickets Rs. 3 and Rs. 2 Admission Re. 1.
Plan at Messrs S. ROSE, & Co.

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THE HALF YEARLY BOXING
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OF THE 2nd Bn. The ROYAL SCOTS
open to the Bombay Garrison and Navy
WILL BE HELD
IN THE GYMNASIUM, COLABA,
ON THE NIGHTS OF THE 19th, 20th & 21st.
FIGHTING COMMENCES AT 9 P. M.
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
Seats can be booked at S. ROSE and Co's,
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BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE BANK will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, that day being a Public Holiday under the "Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881."

J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay 14th March, 1906.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are invited by 1 o'clock on FRIDAY, the 23rd March, 1906, for the following Services for the Official year 1906-1907 :—

(1). REPAIRS to all the CIVIL BUILDINGS in charge of the Executive Engineer Presidency District.
(2). SUPPLY of ROAD METAL, SAND STONE, YELLOW MURRUM, RED HILL EARTH, BLACK SAND, &c.
(3). SUPPLY of ordinary CARTS and BULLOCKS.

Further particulars may be obtained at the office of the Undersigned.

W. R. P. BROOKES, A. M. I. C. E.
for Executive Engineer, Presidency.
Bombay, 12th March, 1906.

SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT NOTICE.
No. 53.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the STORE AND SHIPPING OFFICER at Bombay, up to 12 NOON, Standard Time on each of the dates fixed against each, for contracts as specified below.

Forms of Tenders and Schedules and all further particulars can be obtained on application to the above officer up to 2 o'clock P.M. before the date of opening of tenders except SUNDAYS and HOLIDAYS.

No Tenders will be received except on forms obtainable from the above officer on payment of Rupee One for each Tender form.

Description of articles.	Stations where required.	Estimated requirement.	Period of Contracts. From	Period of Contracts. To	Amount of Earnest money	Date on which Tenders will be received.
					Rs.	
Sugar for Ration and Hospital	As mentioned in the schedule.	Do. Do.	1-4-06	31-3-07	2,900	26th Mar. 1906.
Flour and Atta..........		Do.	1-5-06	30-4-07	6,000	27th, Mar. 1906.

L. J. MATHIAS, Major,
Store and Shipping Officer.
Store and Shipping Office,
Bombay, 15th March, 1906.

OUDH AND ROHILKHAND RAILWAY.

CARRIAGE AND WAGON DEPARTMENT.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following posts :—

FOREMAN COACH BUILDER.
CHARGEMAN BUILDER.

The pay of the Foreman will commence at Rs. 330 per mensem.

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Applicants must be well up in body building.

Permanent employment to suitable men ; but should men appointed prove unsuitable services will not be retained.

P. A. HYDE,
Carr : and Wagon Superintendent,
O. and R. Railway,
Dated Lucknow, the 12th March, 1906.

NOTICE.

ELEPHANT BRAND CEMENT.

JOHNSON & CO. PORTLAND TRADE MARK CEMENT LONDON AND NEWCASTLE

NOTICE is hereby given that it has recently come to the knowledge of I. C. JOHNSON and Co., Ltd., of 4, Eastcheap, London, that certain dealers in Bombay have been importing PORTLAND CEMENT bearing thereon a representation of an ELEPHANT or ELEPHANTS in imitation of the Trade Mark of I. C. Johnson and Co., Ltd. NOTICE is therefore hereby given that proceedings will be taken against any person or persons who may import or endeavour to import any Portland Cement having thereon any Label or words which may be considered to be an infringement of the Label or Trade Mark or Trade Marks of I. C. Johnson & Co., Ltd.

Messrs. TOTHILL SHARP and Co., of Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, are the Sole Agents for the Bombay Presidency of "ELEPHANT BRAND" CEMENT.—Dated this 1st day of March, 1906.

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"The Pashas Nightmare"	250 feet.
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"The Young Tramps"	700 feet.
PROGRAMME No. 2 FROM 8 to 9 P.M.	
"An Impatient Customer"	100 feet.
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"School boys practical Joke" ...	120 feet.
"The Wig"	120 feet.
"A bad Joke"	80 feet.
"The Hairdressers Victim"	70 feet.
"Room please"	70 feet.
"The Troublesome Fishbone ...	100 feet.
"The Motor Car and the Cripple".	130 feet.
"My Neighbours Lamp"	130 feet.
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PAID-UP CAPITAL £600,000
RESERVE FUND..................£525,000

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FIXED DEPOSITS.

The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, at Rates of interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 100,000, but no Interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

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ROBERT R. ROSS,
Manager.

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AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..............£1,125,000
PAID UP CAPITAL £562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £562,500
RESERVE FUNDS..............................£110,000

HEAD OFFICE :
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1 mahogany cottage piano by Soundy & Co.

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1 glass-fronted double-seated brougham.
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AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 16th inst, at 4 p.m., sell by Public Auction, on the premises the whole of the building materials of House Nos. 5, 1 and 2 and 185, case No. 25 and Ward Nos. 2650 to 2651, 2654 and 2655, Chowpati Road.

AUCTION SALE OF CASHMERE, FLANNEL, TENNIS, COATING, GOLD, CORD, ALPAKA, &c.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at Shop Nos. 2 and 3, Sitaram Buildings, near Crawford Market, to close partnership account, a large quantity of woolen goods consisting of 10 and 20 yards pieces of cashmere, suit flannel, silk stripe flannel, tennis coating, tennis flannel, silk flannel, gold cord, tennis silk, alpaka, doomas, dress goods, etc.

The above is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF MOTOR CAR.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY the 17th instant, at 2-30 p.m., Messrs BENNETT & Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, on account of the concerned,—

1. 3 Cylinder 12 horse power "Cameron" two seated Run about, has climbed Napean Sea Road and Malabar Hill on Top speed and has done 50 miles in the heat of the day in 2 1-2 hours, running time including slow down etc., space at back for Tonneau or syce seat Shaft driven Full set spare parts 1-2 Rear axle Differential huts Bolts etc., Piston, Piston Rings, Valves, Rocker arm set of foot pint tools etc.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 17th instant at 3-30 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods etc.

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1 handsome strong victoria in very good order.
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1 handsome strong glass fronted miniature brougham in very good order.
1 grey Arab, quiet in harness.
1 Bay Pony, quiet in harness and saddle.
1 handsome strong chestnut Arab horse, 15 hand goes well in harness.
1 handsome strong country-bred mare 14-2 goes well in harness.

On SUNDAY, the 18th instant, at 2 p. m., (S. T.) Messrs BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Tardeo, near Adamji Peerbhai Mills, and opposite the Tardeo Post Office, the very valuable and made to order dining, drawing and bed-room furniture of the latest design, rich glass and crockery ware, plated ware by Reed and Barton and others, gun, iron coal stove with chimney, drawing-room suite of sofas and chairs lined green velvet, neatly design cabinet, marble-top tables and teapoys, rich porcelain flower pots and ornaments, dressing and wash-hand tables, iron and brass bedstead, easy chair, chest of drawer, almyrah, one combination foot sewing machine converted into ladies writing desk, velvet pile carpets and rugs, almyrahs, ladies side secretariat with drawers, hatstand sideboard and dumbwaiters, meat safe, cane chairs, cupboards, rich flower vases, Dresden figures and ornaments, hanging and table lamps, one ice-box with refrigerator, one sweettoned ebonized cottage piano by S. Rose & Co. in good order, pictures and oleographs, screens and purdahs, telescopic hall lamp, parian figures, Army and Navy 50 candle power sun light lamps, gentlemen's and lady's bicyles iron stove with chimney, baba perambulator, superior silver plate, spoons and forks, air gun, purdahs, China matting garden flower pots, &c., &c.

The property of late Mr. A. Holden (Manager Adamji Peerbhai's Mill Tardeo).

Catalogues are ready and the property is on view.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES, situated at Chinchpoogli opposite to the Chinchpoogli Fire Brigade Station and Breech Candy Road, Girgaum.

Messrs BENNETT and Co. will on the following days sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagor Bai Kashibai, widow of Gopal Krishan Paranjpie, the following properties under the power of sale reserved to the mortgagees by an indenture of mortgage dated the 25th day of August, 1896.

Property situated at Chinchpogli described as under will be sold at 5-15 p m. (Standard Time), on SATURDAY, the 7th day of April, 1906.

All that piece or parcel of Foras land originally consisting of two pieces one containing by admeasurement as stated in the title deeds five thousand six hundred and fifty-nine square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 191, New No. 13996, old survey No. 1/3631, and New survey No. and the other admeasuring as stated in the title deeds 1753 square yards or thereabouts, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 59, New No. 12560, old survey No 424, and New survey No. 3313 which said pieces are now formed into one together with the bungalow, messuages, tenements or chawls and outhouse, standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under E ward Nos 8184 8185, 8186 8187 (1) and 8118 (2), and Street Nos. 19 to 16 21 to 27 and 29 and 1, all which premises are situate at and on the South side of Sewree Road at Chinchpogli without the Fort of Bombay in the registration sub-district of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the East by the property of the Hong Kong Mill, on or towards the West and North partly by the Sewree Road aforesaid, and partly by vacant land belonging to the Municipality and partly by a public passage, and on or towards the south by the property of HajeeMahomed Hajee Abdool Kayum Kadwani and were formerly in the occupation of the tenants of the said Morgagor and are now in that of the tenants of the Morgagees.

Property situated at Breach Candy Road Girgaum described as under will be sold at 5-15 p.m., (Standard Time), on MONDAY the 9th day of April 1906.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground of pension and Tax Tenure containing by admeasurement one hundred and sixteen and six ninths square yards or thereabouts, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue according to the title deeds under old No. 140 New No. 1206, New survey No. 7721 together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D ward No. 277, and Street Nos. 637-39, and all which premises are situate at and on the Eastern side of Breach Candy Road at Girgaum outside the Fort of Bombay, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, and are bounded on East by the house of Bapoo Vithoba, on the West by the said Breach Road, on the North partly by the house of Sado Mahajee Suldhanker and partly by that of Bhaidass Luckmidass, and on the South by the house of Abbajee Dewjee and wall which premises were formerly in the occupation of the said morgagor and her tenants and are now in that of the tenants of the mortgagees.

For further particulars and condition of sale apply to Mr. Kharshedjee D. Shroff, Attorney for the mortgagees, at his Office No 13, Hornby Road Fort, or to the Undersigned.

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Bombay, 16th March, 1906.

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Finest pale Cumberland, Special Cure, from 8 to 25 lbs. each, ...per lb.	1	2
Cooked, ready for table, whole or half Ham............ ,,	2	0
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	Rs.	A.
Harris' Crown Brand, Real Wilt's Middle, Special Cure, 20 to 30 lbs. each... ,,	1	2
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Boneless in slices ....per tin	1	4

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	Rs.	A
GORGONZOLA Real, 12 to 18 lbs. each ....per lbs.	1	4
GORGONZOLA Real, on cut...... ,,	1	6
Cheshire, English .... ,,	1	0
Gruyere, finest quality .... ,,	1	0
Chedder, Pale Loaf, about 12 lbs. each .... ,,	0	14
American Cheshire .... ,,	0	12
Double Gloster .... ,,	0	14
Edams, Dutch (whole Cheese only about 4 lbs. each) .... ,,	0	12
Imperial in Jars............per jar	1	0
Camembert, in tins ....pea tin	1	4

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The steamer Langbank 2965 tons Captain W F Rout sailed yesterday for Calcutta in ballast

The s s F Coverdale, 2198 tons, Captain J W Storm, sailed yesterday for Hull and antwerp with a general cargo

The B I S N Co's steamer Jumma, 2987 tons Captain H C Fenwick R N R arrived in harbour yesterday from Jedah, 5th March with a number of pilgrems

The B and P S N Co's steamer Hoseincer 993 tons Captain W S Pilling, arrived in harbour to-day from Jedah 28th February with a general cargo and special and pilgrims

The German East Africa Line steamer Sultan 2816 tons Captain Burnester arrived in harbour to-day from Durbar 19th February, with a general cargo and deck passengers.

The steamer Katanga, 2160 tons, Captain J McBride, arrived in harbour yesterday from Melbourne, with a cargo of wheat

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
15	Hoseince s	Cilling	Jedah, Feb 28
	Sultan s	Burnester	Durban, Feb 19
	R I M S Hardinge.	St John	Rangoon, Mar 8
	Katanga s	McBride	Melbourne, Feb 15
	Jumna s	Fenwick	Jeddah, march 15

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
15	Coromandel s.........	Holloway......	Jedah, &c
	Kola s	Bamber	Persian Gulf, &c
	R Rubattino s	Saporite	Genoa, &c
	Moravia s	Knezevich	Trieste, &c
	H M S Tarrible s..	Campbell ...	Karachi
	B M S Perseus s..	Hill.........	Karachi
	Langbank s	Rant	Calcutta
	Frank Coverdale s	Storm.........	Antwerp

The steamer Mutta, for Persian Gulf, entered for loading yesterday.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B I S N Co's s s Itria sailed.

The Floria-Rubattino Company's steamer Ischia left Hongkong for Bombay to-day the 15th inst.

The German East Africa Line steamer Bundesrath arrived at Zanzibar from Bombay on the 10th inst, via Lamu and Mombassa.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessels.	Names.	From
11	Glenfruin	J Robertson	Karachi
	City of Karachi	F Snow	Liverpool
	Neuenfels	T Wiseloh	Colombo
	Indus	W Kydd	Barbadoes

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessels.	Names.	To
	Baron Balfour	H HiBridger	Salif
12	Franklyn	W G Browne	Melbourne
	Bancoora	C E Emmet	Bombay
	Kohinur	A H Mackinnon	Chittagong
13	Baron Ardrossan	S C Kennedy	Rangoon
	Lawada	W Lemarchand	Bombay
	Ethiopia	J S Jones	Rangoon
	Titani	W Remnant	Bombay
	Grantley Hall	J C Jones	Australia

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Mar	Vessel	From
13	Golcunda	Calcutta
13	Pentakoto	Negapatam
13	Ayuthia	Bangkok

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Mar	Vessel	From
13	Nairung	Calcutta
13	Gwalior	Rangoon
14	Nadir	Bombay
14	Tannenfels	Antwerp
18	E F Ferdinand	Calcutta
16	Marq Bacqueham	Trieste
16	Clan Macleod	Liverpool
18	Clan Maclean	Liverpool
19	Fulwell	London
21	Rabenfels	Antwerp
25	Marksburg	London
25	Umzinto	Calcutta

The dates are approximate only.

HIGH COURT.—March 16.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar)
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

9 03—Edgelow G and W—Haji Mahomed Mehdi Malik Taju vs Arthur David Sassoon and others—Wadia G and Co

250-99—Edgelow G and W—Haji Mahomed Mehdi Malik Tojar vs Sir E E A Sassoon Baronet and others—Wadi G and Co

432-05—Jehangir and S—Ashibai widow vs—Abdoola Haji Mahomed and another—Thakurdas and Co

352-05—Mansukhlal J and H—Bai Gungabai widow and others vs The New East India Press Co Limited and others—Pestonji R and K B M and B and Hiralal S

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice Scott.
For dismissal,

519-20002 05—Ardeser H D and Co—Mahomed Haji Latiff vs Haji Joosub Haji Khamissa—Mulla and M

For Consent Decree,

718 05—Mulla and M—Kamurdin Mahomed Ismail vs Latiff Faker Mahomed—Kanga and P

Long Causes.

325-05—Captain and V—Champsey Purbatoors vs Shridhaur and Co—Malvi and M

815-04—Balkrishna and M—Aishabibi widow and others vs Ahmed Mahomed Mutawali and others—Ardeser H D and Co

495 04—Dikshit D and S—Keshav Luxmon vs Bhagirathibai widow—Daphtary F and D

633-04—K B Mehta—Narrayen Hassoo and others vs Ananta Rama—M B Chothia (Not to be called till Thursday.

674-05—M B Chothia—Dalsuthbhai Fulchand vs Mulji Hunsrv and Co and others

608-05-610-05—Mirza and M—Wamanrao Wassudeo vs Dhaklibai widow—Payne and Co

669-05—Mirza and M Soonderbai widow vs Dhaklibai widow—Payne and Co

22-05—Payne and Co—Bapoolat Lallbhai vs Dayaram Harjiva and others—Bhaishanker K and G

331-05—Pestonji R and K—Baikaji Framji Khan annd another vs Tribhowandas Mangaldass Nathoobhoy and Ana—Crawford B and Co

800-04—Thakurdas and Co—Abdool Hoosein Noorbhoy vs Abdulally Mahomedally and another—Little and Co.

179-05—In person Mutubhai widow vs Curson Umersep

100-04—Unwalla and P—Cassum Alias Bachoo Abd Sattar aun others vs Seedjek Haji Mahomed Sulleman and others Payne and Co

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS BY MAJOR T. W. CUFFF, A. D. C. COMMANDING.
Bombay, March 16.

1 The Annual Inspection of the Corps will take place at Santa Cruz on Wednesday morning the 21st instant.

2 The Annual Point to Point Races will be held at Santa Cruz on Tuesday afternoon the 3rd April. Entries to Mr T L Roberts.

By Order
T. W. CUFFE, Major.
Commanding B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.
Bombay, March 16,

115 To-day Friday the 16th instant.
There will be drill at Head Quarters at 6 p m for those members who are non-efficient.
Musketry—The Range at Ghat Kopar will be available for Class Firing.

117 Musketry—Saturday the 17th Instant.
The Range at Ghat Kopar will be available for Class Firing. Sunday the 18th Instant
The Range at Ghat Kopar will be avaiable for Class Firing

118 Extract from Brigade Orders dated 15th March 1906 is published for information :—
Nos 399—Furlough and Leave.
The undermentioned officer is granted leave of absence out of India from the 17th February 1906 to 14th February 1907 :—Lieut Gray Rigge, Bombay Vol, Rifles

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL, LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING B. V. A.
Bombay, March 16,
CORPS PARADE.

The Corps will parade at Sassoon Dock to-morrow Saturday, the 17th instant at 5-30 p m, to March into Camp at Colaba.
Dress—Drill order with Arms Putties to be worn.

A STIFFE, Capt R, A.
Adjt. B. V. A,

NOTICE.

A Conversazione and Dance will be held at Nesbit Road, Head-Quarters to-day Friday, at 9-30 p m.
Dress—Mess Dress or Uniform.
Tickets may be obtained at both Head-Quarters and at the B V A Club.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

("Bombay Government Gazette," March 15,)

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

The appointment of Mr F E Hardcastle as Consul for Nicaragua at Bombay has been confirmed by H M's Govt.

The services of Capt J K Condon Assist Political Agent Third Grade Bombay are replaced at the disposal of the Govt of Bombay with effect from the date on which he was relieved of his duties as officiating Assist to the Resident at Baroda in Okhamandal and Commandant of the Waghet Corps.

Capt H S Strong an Assist Political Agent Third Grade Bombay is appointed to officiate as Assist to the Resident at Baroda in the Okhamandal Dist and Commdt of the Wagher Corps with effect from the date of assuming charge vice Capt J K Condon and until further orders.

Mr P S V Fitz Gerald C S I Political Agent Second Grade on return from leave to be Agent to the Govr Kathiawar vice Lieut-Col W P Kennedy retiring.

Mr Ladhabhai Hirji First Grade Deputy Assist Political Agent on deputation is granted privilege leave for two months with effect from the 13th March or from the date of his relief in the post of Administrator of the Chhota Udepur State.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Jehangir Dadabhai Nanavatty Head Karkun taluka Godhra in the dist of Panch Mahals is appointed to be a Magte of the Second Class in that dist.

Mr T J B Thatcher Dist Supt of Police Karachi is granted with effect from the date of relief such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to one year and a half.

Lieut J G Faris 78th Moplah Rifles to be Cantonment Magte at Ahmednagar in addition to his Military duties vice Capt V de V Hunt. Lieut Faris is also appointed to be a Magte of the First Class in the Ahmednagar Dist.

Lieut Faris also to be of a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories subject to the administration of the Govt of Bombay other than the Presidency Town of Bombay and to be the Judge of the Court of Small Causes within the Cantonment of Ahmednagar.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office return for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all Cause.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade ...	14	5	10
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri.........	19	18	53
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	25	20	41
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	5	3	13
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada.........	25	22	73
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	7	5	12
G Mahim and Worli	2	2	19
Water Division	0	0	1
North-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	1	13
Total.........	97	73	240
Total plague deaths to date ...	306,427	23,681	587
Same date last year	117	107	223

SMALL-POX.

Attacks	Deaths
4	2

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, March 14.

SECURITIES—			
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	90 1-2	=	unchanged
3 do. Rentes	99 3-4	=	do
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan.........	106	=	do
3 1-3 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	66 5 16	=	— 1-16
SILVER—			
Spot in London	29 9-16	=	+ 3-8
2 months hence	29 3-16	=	+ 5-16
Spot in New York.........	63 7-8	=	+ 3-4
EXCHANGES—			
Paris cheques	25·13 1 2	=	— 1
Berlin ,, ...	20·48 1-2	=	— 1-2
New York Demand	4·85 5-8	=	+ 1-8

DISCOUNTS—				
Bank of England.........	4	per cent	=	unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills ...	3 5-8	do	=	do
6 ,, ,, ,, ...	3	do	=	do
3 ,, ,, Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8	do	=	do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8	do	=	do
INTEREST—				
Day to day loans	3 3-4	do	=	do
7 day market loans	3 5-8	do	=	do

SPECIE SHIPMENTS.

	£
Silver to Calcutta	400,000
Gold to Bombay	20,000

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 80,00,000

Rs.	39·30	were allotted to	Calcutta
Rs.	14·20	do	Bombay
Rs.	9·50	do	Madras

Rs. 63·00 at 1s 4 d.

Minimum rate received 14 per cent, average rate 16·00

Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs.	5·00	were allotted to	Calcutta.
Rs.	12·10	do	Bombay
Rs.	nil	do	Madras

Rs. 17·10 at 1s, 4 1/16d.

Minimum rate received 14 per cent. average rate 16·00
Total amount sold during the week, Rs. 1,01,00,000
Amount to be allotted next week, Rs. 60,00,000
Extra allotments nil

TALLOW.

Finest Australian Beef.........	29 6
,, ,, Mutton	30-6

Tone of Auction firmer

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 10 6 March, sellers steady.

RAPESEED—
Brown 39 5-8 + 1-2 A-M done quiet.

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 44 do do

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 1-4

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed easier East Indian quiet. Manchester steady. Total Sales 10,000. Spot 5·80 plus 3. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 1-4. Sold on speculation and for Export 1,000. Imports 13,000. Futures closed easier.

Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
5·57	5·58	5·60
—7	—7	—7
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sep.
5·62	5·63	5·60
—7	—7	—7
Sep.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·47	5·42	5·41
—5	—5	—5

Receipts at U S Ports	16,000
Do last year	22,000
Exports to Great Britain	8,000
Do. do Continent	2,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	10·95 — 15
Futures, month of March	10·19 — 16
Do do. July	10·47 — 18

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A Declined owing to Official weather reports considered favourable and to bear pressure and bulls unloading.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	10 1-2 — 1-8
Futures, month of May	10·51 — 11
Do. do. July	10·66 — 15
Tone at close.........	steady

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th March 1906 :—

Cotton.........	6,2 2	bales.
Wheat	6,750	cwts.
Linseed	6,993	do
Rape, Rai and Mustard.........	356	do
Gingellyseed	6,216	do
Poppyseed	nil	
Groundnut	434	do
Castorseed	3,247	do
Rice	6,567	do
Myrabollams.........	9,7 3	do
Cottonseed	1,636	do
Mowraseed.........	10	do
Gram.........	4,274	do
Joowar	963	do
Maize	nil	

BOMBAY, March 15,

Exchange.—Tone steady.

Bank T. T. ... ... }	1s 4 1 32d.
Bank Demand ... ... }	
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D.A.	1s 4 1-4d.
Do. 6 do. do.	1s. 4 11-32d,
French Francs 3 do. do. ...	170
Marcks 3 do. do. ...	139
Hongkong 30 Days Sight ...	148
Shanghai 30 do. ...	206
Japan 30 do. ...	149 1-2

Government Paper.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.

Cash	98 15
1st Settlement, 30th March	99·1

Money Market. Tone steady.

Bank Rate—

Bank of England	since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.
Bank of Bombay	do. 15th March	8	do.
Bank of Bengal	do. 15th ,,	8	do.
Bank of Madras	do. 16th Jan.	8	do.

Seeds.

	Rs	a	p.
Linseed—Tone quite.			
Ready	7	13	0
Forward May	8	3	6
Rapeseed.—Tone dull.			
Brown Cawnpore April-May ...	6	12	0
Yellow Cawpore, do ...	7	4	0
Yellow Guzerat do ...	7	6	0
Poppyseed—Tone dull,			
Ready	7	15	0
Forward April-May ...	8	1	0
Castorseed—Tone quiet.			
Ready	34	0	0
Gingellyseed—Tone quiet.			
Khandeish	47	8	0
15 per cent. Mixed	46	8	0
Black Kutnee	42	0	0
Wheat—Tone dull.			
White Delhi April-May ...	5	0	0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	quiet but steady.
Estimated sales	10,000 Bales
Imports	1,000 ,,

Mar.-April	April-May	May-June.
5·58	5·59	5·61
+1	+1	+1
June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.
5 63	5·64	5·61
+1	+1	+1
Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·48	5·43	5·42
+1	+1	+1

Cotton.—The market has eased off somewhat to-day following home advices, but the enquiry is still very moderte as buyers are holding off. There is a decline of Rs. 3 to 4 in the Broach Sutea bazaar.

The cotton market is quiet and declining. Broach 255 1/2 fine 263.

All other descriptions are lower.

The chief business is settlement of Broach.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms) ...	189	181	...	Ready.
Bengals(M.-G.)Ry. terms...	193	183	...	do.
Sind-Punjab (M. G.) ...	192	182	...	do.
Oomrawuttee (descriptions) M.-G.	209	203	...	do.
Khandeish (M.-G.) ...	204	197	...	do.
Jalgaum (M.-G.) ...	206	199	...	do.
Khundwa (M.-G.) ...	...	203	...	do.
Khangaum, fair staple (M.-G.) }	209	203	..	do.
Karanja do. (M.-G) }				
Akola do. (M.-G.) }				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.).	215	209	...	do.
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.) ...	220	214	...	do.
Broach (M.-G.) ...	233	253	253	do.
Yeotmal (M.-G.) ...	218	212	...	do.
Muttia (M.-G.) ...	203	196	...	do.
Dharwar (S.-G.) ...	...	...	253	25. May
Westerns ...	...	...	233	do.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

The Charge for Announcements of Births, Marriages Deaths and Memoriam Notice (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender, is Rs 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional line Cash strictly in Advance.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

WILKIE BROWN—March 2, at Sagargad, Alibag, to Mr. and Mrs Wilkie Brown, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

GEOGHEGAN—McNAIR—March 2, at St Peter's, Fort William, by the Venerable Archdeaun Dyer, Lieutenant Oswald Allan Geoghegan, South Staffords, to Frederika Annie Lillian, daughter of G B McNair, Solicitor, Calcutta.

WALE—SOEFELDT—March 7, at Christ Church, Madras, by the Rev H Pegg, Clement Austin Wada. Opium Department, Siam, to Helen Christine, daughter of the late Mr C B Soefeldt, Assistant Examiner, Military Accounts, and of Mrs Soefeldt, Sylvan Villa, Orme's Road, Kilpauk, Madras.

DEATHS.

BLEWITT—February 12, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Charles T Blewitt, Commanding 27th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, aged 48.

CARY—March 9 at Kotri, Jessie, the beloved wife of R R Cary, Punjab Police, youngest daughter of the late Captain Francke, O D, aged 33 years.

NAYLOR—February 25, at Woodfield Cottage, Meerut, midnight of heart failure, Annie Maria, the dearly beloved wife of the late Robert DeGascoyne Naylor, aged 63 years.

ROY—March 6, at Bhowanipore, Calcutta, at the residence of his father-in-law, the Hon Mr Justice Ghose, Mr J C Roy, Sub-Deputy Opium Agent, of Tehta (Gya.)

SYMONDS—February 1, William Alfred Symonds, formerly of the Madras Jail Department, eldest son of the late Rev A R Symonds, Vicar of Walmer, aged 64.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 8m. Sun sets, 6h. 19m. High water, 2-55m., 3-50a. Low water, 9-2 o. 9-28a.
P. and O. s. s. Persia, with English mails of 2nd instant, due to arrive at 9 a. m.
Y. M. C. A. Amateur Sports, Maidan 3-15 p. m.
Y. M. C. A. Annual meeting, Apollo Bunder, 9-30 p. m.

Theft of Telephone Wire.—Mr. C. Robinson, Manager of the Bombay Telephone Company, has reported to the police that about 1,200 yards of thin copper wire belonging to the Company had been cut and removed from the fields between the James Greaves and the Sun Mills.

Sale of Abkari Licenses.—Yesterday, afternoon, at the Town Custom House, Mr. G. W. Hatch I.C.S., Collector of Bombay, assisted by Mr. H. Ballantine, Assistant Collector of Abkari, put up for sale by public auction forty-nine licenses of ganja, bhang and charas. There was a good attendance and the sale was very brisk which realised a sum of Rs. 31,925.

An Armenian Justice of the Peace.—Mr. Agabeg, who has been made a Justice of the Peace for Bombay, is a member of one of the most respectable and ancient Armenian families. He holds the responsible post of Superintendent of the Public Debt office in the Bank of Bombay ; and his nomination as the first Justice of the Peace in his community has caused general rejoicing among its members.

Suit on a Sale Account.—Yesterday, Mr. R. M. Patell, Acting Chief Judge, Bombay Small Causes Court, disposed of the suit in which Lieut.-Col. C. T. McKavanagh, and two other members of the Mhow Polo Club claimed to recover Rs. 1 481-6 from Lieut.-Col. John Anderson being the balance due on account of a sale, effected through the defendant, of four ponies belonging to the club. Mr. Craigie, Solicitor, appeared for the plaintiffs. As the defendant did not contest the claim a decree was passed in favour of the plaintiffs with costs.

The Students' Brotherhood.—On Saturday, Mr. Lalubhoy Samaldas will be 'At Home' to the members of the Students Brotherhood in Mr. Bhagwandas Madhavdas's hall (Widow Marriage Hall) Girgaon, at 6 p.m, when all the members ordinary as well as honorary, are most cordially invited to attend. On Sunday, Prof. N. G. Welinkar, M. A., LL B., will deliver his fourth address of the series for this session on 'Co-ordination of Studies" at 9a.m., standard time, when K Natrajan BA Editor, "Indian Social Reformer" will preside. The Junior class will meet as usual in the Bhuleshwar School and will be conducted by Mr. J D. Master, B. A.

Daring Burglary by Borahs.—Yesterday, at the Mazagon Police Court, before Mr Dracup, fourth Presidency Magistrate, Yusufali Goolamhoosein Mahomedali Tyebjee and Abdoolhoosein Essajee, Borahs were charged with burglary and theft of ornaments of the collective value of Rs. 2,002, the property of one Kikabhoy Abdulali, also a Borah residing in Phool Gully off Bhendy Bazaar Road. On the morning of the 3rd instant, the complainant went to his work leaving his wife and son at home, About 9 a m, his wife locked the door of the house and went out leaving the boy playing in the street. An hour later, the boy was going up to his room to see whether his mother had returned, when he met the first and the third accused coming down stairs. On being asked why they had gone up stairs, they slapped him and ran away. The second accused, who was waiting for his companions in the street, joined them. On going to the room the boy found that the door had been forced open and he missed the ornaments from the cupboard, which had been broken up. A report was made to the police, who arrested the first two accused in an opium shop at Bhendy Bazaar and recovered from them property worth Rs. 200. The third accused, who according to the other accused, had with him the greater portion of the property, was arrested subsequently, but nothing was recovered from him. The first two accused were sentenced to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment. The third accused who had one previous conviction against him, was given two years' rigorous imprisonment and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 500, or, in default, to undergo six months' further rigorous imprisonment.

Advice to Mothers.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth ! Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It sooths the child, softens the gums, allays pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhoea whether arising from teething, or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

DEPARTURE OF THE TRANSPORT PLASSY.

The Hired Transport Plassy, Captain E. R. Dowell, will sail to-day for Southampton with details consisting of 60 officers, 22 ladies, and 16 children, 15 warrant officers, 17 women and 31 children, 709 non-commissioned officers and men, 30 women, and 55 children (in health) 193 non-commissioned officers and men, 3 women and 2 children, (invalids) 89 men, 5 women, and 5 children, (cot-cases) 12 insanes and 25 prisoners. The following are the names of the officers :—

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C I J C Yale W Yorks
Col and Mrs McCurry and inft Linc Regt.
Col Grant Indian Army
Lt-Col A W P Inman R A M C
Bt Lt-Col J R F Sladen E Yorks
Lt-Col and Mrs G G Adams and daughter R A M C
Major T Daly R A M C
Major G Bent R A M C
Major and Mrs C W Allport R A M C
Capt and Mrs H R P Perry and inft E Yorks
Capt H A N Forte E Yorks
Captain and Mrs C C Palmer Ordnance Dept
Captain and Mrs F J Tyrell R A
Capt and Mrs T W Rudd daughter A V D
Capt W B Fry R A M C
Capt and Mrs C H Furnivalt and inft R A M C
Capt and Mrs J B Cautley 2 children R A M C
Capt and Mrs F G Rawlings 2 children Ord Dept
Capt J F C Fuller Oxfords
Capt Ommaney A E Dept
Capt W D Grant R Dragoon
Hon Lt and Rdg Mr J F Parr R F A
Lieut W F S Casson I A
Lieut T A Morris H L J
Lieut O M Harris R H A
Lieut F C Bassett R G A
Lieut J M Young King's own Regt
Lieut A R Kmo E Yorks
Lieut and Mrs L Reynolds I A
Lt and Hon Capt and Mrs F Naylor and daughter Ord Dept
Lieut G F J Harkness I M S
Lieut R J Cahill R A M C
Lieut R W Huskisson Essen Regt
Lieut C J M Thornhill J A
Lieut E N Watson R G A
Lieut H A Kirby R A
Lieut C O Rowlandson Durbam L I
Lieut C P James A and S Highlanders
Lieut D H Powell I Army
Lieut W J Wassy I Army
Lieut W J Cunningham A and S Highlanders
Lieut F Bellwood Lincoln Regt
Lieut G S Cooper R F A
Lieut B B Featherstone Devon Regt
Lieut S E Norris King's L I
Lieut G D Martin I Army
Lieut and Mrs E A Browne S and T Corps
Lieut D M C Slater I Army
Lieut F F Sarver Oxford
Lieut and Mrs A J Darkins and daughter Ord Dept
Lt H G Massy I Army
Lt S G Goater E Dept
Lt R L S Roberts Essex Regt
2nd Lieut T Temple I Army
2nd Lieut H V Budgen I Army
2nd Lieut N M Wilson R W Fus
2nd Lieut E C Montefiore I Army
2nd Lieut F A Pill R F A
N Sister D L F Moore Q A I N S
N Sister B Crane Q A I N S
Late N S M H Ross
Wife of Lt Pellinger 10 Hussars
Widow of Capt G C Garrat and 3 children I Army
Widow of Major Statkarth I Army
Orphan Daughter of Captain Metham Ord Dept

MAHSUD JIRGAHS.

OUTLOOK IN THE FRONTIER.

The Government of India, in deciding to give the Mahsud jirgahs an opportunity of making amends for the various acts of lawlessness, which the tribe have committed in the last two years, have shown that they do not wish to resort to the last expedient of a punitive campaign in Waziristan. There is ample evidence says the "Pioneer," to prove that the Mullah Powindah, whose influence for good or evil is still in the ascendant, has been at the bottom of most of the trouble, and he has followed a policy of provocation which has not yet come to an end. His power is such that he can terrorise the sections of the tribe that wish to stand well with the Frontier authorities ; and the headmen who are now considering the terms offered by Government will have to hold together if they agree to accept the conditions of settlement. The Mullah has a following made up of the desperadoes among the Mahsuds, and nothing short of a general combination against him can break down his influence. But the jirgahs that have come in to meet Mr. Crump, the Political Officer, know by this time that if they agree to the terms placed before them they must be prepared to carry them out at all risks. There can be no drawing back thereafter, or they in common with the whole of the Mahsuds will be held liable to punishment. They may shrink from this responsibility, in which case the headmen will be dismissed to their homes, and the Government will be at leisure to decide as to the exact measures to be adopted hereafter in finally seting the Mahsud problem. A punitive expedition of the common type is out of the question : it will commend itself to no one acquainted with the frontier, and its ineffectiveness may be absolutely calculated upon. The Mahsud country can be over-run by our troops, as it has been three or four times before ; the fortified villages may be wrecked, the crops destroyed, and the cattle captured, but permanent results will not be gained by this process. A temporary occupation in force offers the only solution, the principal villages being seized and held, while retreat westwards into Afghanistan is blocked by the location of a strong column in the Shawal Valley. The force employed should be sufficient to break down armed opposition at once, and the troops should be deliberately settled down into camps with definite orders to remain until the complete submission of the tribe has been secured. At the same time military roads giving every access to various strategical points should be constructed, and the disarmament of the tribesmen should be undertaken, In the case of the Black Mountain, pacification was only completed when a brigade had been left for a year or more after punitive expeditions had been tried : and we need not despair of success if a similar steps have to be taken in Waziristan. Even if two brigades have to be employed on this duty of military occupation, after our columns have quartered the country, this measure will be cheaper in the end than a punitive expedition lasting a few weeks with the troops hastily withdrawn as soon as a certain amount of damage has been done and a certain number of tribesmen have been killed in trivial skirmishes. We have, however, yet to see whether the jirgahs are equal to making arrangements that will obviate the necessity of applying continuous pressure of the kind indicated, their decision may be expected very shortly and also the guarantees which they offer if they accept the terms imposed.

DANGEROUS CHARACTERS.

SENTENCE OF TRANSPORTATION.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, presiding at the Bombay High Court, have disposed of appeals filed by Gulkhan Ramjankhan and Ramchandra Gangaram, who were convicted by Mr. C. Roper, Additional Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar, in February last, of a daring dacoity and were sentenced each to transportation for ten years.

The two accused were charged with offences under Sections 392, 394, and 395. On the night of the 3rd November last, the complainant's house was attacked by a party of dacoits. The complainant and his brother Tukaram and the former's wife and children were sleeping in the house. Tukaram was maltreated and deprived of his silver waist belt, and the women's ornaments were taken and also a small sum of money. The reports of a pistol belonging to the accused attracted the neighbours, and four of them came to the house and succeeded in apprehending the two accused. One of these witnesses informed the village officers of Miri, and they came with the Police. The accused's persons were searched. Some of the missing ornaments were found on the person of accused No. 2, and on No. 1 were found some gunpowder shot and bullets. One of the witnesses had managed to take away the pistol of No. 1 from him, while the dacoity was proceeding. The accused were seized on the spot, and the evidence of the whole affair, said the Sessions Judge, was quite clear and reliable. The incident of the seizing of the pistol of No. 1 was testified to by nearly all the witnesses, as also was the seizure of the two accused. Mr. Roper found both the accused guilty of an offence punishable under Section 395 of the Penal Code. The accused were evidently dangerous characters in the opinion of the Sessions Judge, and their offence was a very grave one. Such attacks on house-holders in the middle of the night should, he thought, meet with exemplary punishment, especially when a weapon like the pistol produced in this case was employed by one of the offenders. Each accused was sentenced to transportation for ten years.

Their Lordships dismissed the appeals.

MOROCCO AND THE MAGYARS.

In the course of an excellent letter on Foreign politics the London Correspondent of the "Pioneer" writes :—The two problems which are troubling men's minds are Morocco and Hungary. Morocco is the more immediately interesting, or perhaps it would be correct to say the less tiresome and the less redolent of boredom, but it may be questioned whether the Austro-Hungarian controversy is not the more dangerous. Assuredly it opens up a more formidable vista of unpleasant possibilities. War in regard to Morocco could only spring from one source, namely, the conduct of Germany. But there are half a dozen sources from which war over the Hungarian difficulty might proceed. In one respect there is a curious similarity between these two subjects. It is difficult to form a clear idea what the party, which is responsible for the disturbance, is driving at. In each instance there seems to be a desire to cover up the real issue, so far as we can guess at it, by a multiplicity of side issues, and the presumed goal is apparently being reached by an unnecessarily circuitous route. What Germany's objects are in Morocco no one can hazard a satisfactory surmise. It has been suggested that she wants to split up the Anglo-French entente cordiale, to reduce France to a state of virtual vassalage to flaunt her own power in the face of Europe, to establish a claim upon the gratitude of the Moslem world, to secure a foothold in Morocco which shall enable her ultimately to open up in the Shereefiate that outlet for her surplus population which she has failed to find elsewhere or a dozen other things. But not a single one of these objects has been brought an appreciable step nearer by the peculiar methods she sees fit to employ. The net result of her labours up to date is that she has alienated and irritated Europe and finds herself so friendless and forlorn that she—is positively proposing to make substantial tariff concessions to the United States in the hope of currying favour with American opinion—surely an undignified proceeding for the Admiral of the Atlantic the mailed fist, the German Michael, the Lord of Europe, the Suprema Lex and what not In a similar way Hungary is perplexing if not absolutely offending outside opinon by her lack of candour. M. Louis Kossuth complains of the want of sympathy extended to her aspiration This arises not from any coldness of feeling on the part of the world in general, but partly because we do not distinctly understand what it is that Hungary is aiming at and partly because the methods by which she is pursuing her objects are not such as appeal to the popular imagination. The Hungarians claim to be the most constitutional people in the world, more so than even the English. But they have the defects of their qualities. Constitutionalism carried to excess becomes, in practice, scarcely distinguishable from the paltry chicanery of the pettifogging attorney. The most authoritative statement we have had concerning Hungary's views is that she aspires to become to the Dual Monarchy what Prussia is to the German Empire, that is, the ruling power. This is an ambition admirably calculated to stir the mind and excite the sympathy of the many, while, commending itself to the calm judgment of the well informed few. Hungary is the most solid unit in the Austro-Hungarian Empire ; the Magyars are liberally gifted with the governing instinct ; and it is at all events arguable that the interests of the Empire, as a whole, might benefit if the seat of Government were transferred from Vienna to Buda-Pesth. But the method apparently adopted for attaining their end is that of hair-splitting upon the niceties of constitutional law, and this is what the general public does not understand. The casual observer is apt to conclude that the Hungarian leaders are wantonly vexing the closing years of a venerable and universally respected ruler, because he and they do not see precisely eye to eye in respect to some constitutional subtlety musty with antiquity and dry with the accumulated dust of ages. The Magyars fail to make it sufficiently clear what is the cause which has led up to a state of things the only outcome of which seems to be disruption, a solution which, confessedly, they do not want, and which they admit would be bad both for Hungary and for Austria. The Emperor, they complain, has had matters all his own way in the past because the predominant party in the Hungarian Parliament was content to confine itself to registering his will. He was virtually more of an autocrat than his brothers either of Germany or Russia. But they do not explain what it is that has caused the majority of Hungarian politicians to change their minds and become the critics and opponents instead of the supporters and upholders of the Imperial pleasure. A quibble about constitutional law, or a demand that some eighty words of military command shall be spoken in Magyar instead of German, falls decidedly short of what the outside public requires. Something more tangible will have to be forthcoming before the sympathy of mankind will go out in any considerable volume to the Magyar patriots.

THE CEYLON CRICKET TOUR.

OPINIONS OF SOME PLAYERS.

On thier return to Colombo by the Arcadia, the members of the Ceylon Cricket Team, which was returning from its tour to Bombay, gave some impressions which appeared in the "Times of Ceylon" :—

Dr. Raffel, the captain of the team, preferred to say nothing about the visit to Bombay from a cricketing point of view. He was sorry they did not win the matches against the Bombay Gymkhana and the Elphinstone Club, as the draw was in favour of Ceylon, but there was no reason to be dissatisfied with the success of the team on the whole. He was proud to be captain of a team that had done so well and he said that the trip altogether had been most successful and enjoyable.

Mr. W. S. Parys, the manager, said that the trip was a difficult undertaking and the executive had done their best under the circumstances. A financial statement would be published as soon as possible.

Mr. L. Thomasz, who claims to be the veteran of the Ceylon team, and has probably seen more cricket than the others, gave it as his opinion that Ceylon did very well; but they should have won the matches against the Bombay Gymkhana and the Elphinstone Club. The Hindus were the strongest team they met, but Mr. Thomasz is not prepared to say that under different conditions, and with more luck than they had Ceylon might not have made a much better display. Mr. Thomasz's opinion is that Ceylon is ahead, generally speaking, of India in their batting, but not so good in their bowling or fielding.

In the opinion of Mr. Douglas de Saram, the Ceylon team was strong enough to meet any Indian club by itself, but not a thoroughly representative team, our bowling not being good enough. Baloo and Mehta stood above the other bowlers that played against Ceylon. Our batting generally, Mr. de Saram said, was better to watch, but he regards Meherhomji and P. Telang as equal to C. E. Pereira, the best bat of the Ceylon team. As regards our bowling, Joseph deserved the greatest credit, he having trundled better than he ever did in Ceylon. His record was remarkable for the hard true Indian wickets to bowl on right through. It is a pity that Kelaart did not make the trip, for he would have come off on the Bombay Gymkhana and Elphinstone Club wickets. As regards his own failure, Mr. de Saram attributed it to want of practice, and as regards Weinman he said the wickets did not suit his style of batting. Ceylon had good reason to be proud of their record, and on the whole Dr. Raffel made a very good captain

Mr. C. E. Pereira regards the wickets at Bombay generally as much better than those to be found in Ceylon, and thinks the Indian bowling superior. Baloo was the most difficult bowler, but he thinks Mehta is probably better, only he was evidently out of form. As regards Ceylon batting compared with that of India, he thinks we are ahead, in that our batting was more free and in some cases more finished. He regards Meherhomji as the best bat that played against them. He thinks that with more luck Ceylon ought to have done better in the Hindu match, while, given more time, victory for Ceylon was certain against the Elphinsone Club. Our fielding on the whole was good, but the inability of Rozairo to wicket-keep was a great handicap. There is but one word to be added, and that must be on behalf of the public generally—and that must be. A word of congratulation to Mr. Julian Heyzer. His efforts in organizing means to take over the team were herculean, and will always be remembered when the story is told of the visit of the first Ceylon team to India. The team themselves have every reason to be remembered, for the visit has been, in more senses than one, a complete success.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1906.

FAMINE AND SCARCITY.

THE latest returns show a total of almost four hundred thousand people in receipt of relief in the famine-stricken districts of India. The most seriously affected part is the United Provinces where the number of persons on relief exceeds a hundred and fifty thousand. As weeks go by the situation becomes worse, yet Government claims that measures to deal with it are adequate and so far as the reports show there is no reason to appeal for assistance from Home or elsewhere. The United Provinces report tells us that the condition of standing crops in Banda is unsatisfactory and prospects are bad, while most of the crops sown on the bed of the Jumna in the Muttra district have been flooded, but generally the recent rain has improved prospects in other than famine districts, where dry crops were past recovery. Village relief is being extended. The physical condition of the people is fair and cases of emaciation are rare. In the Punjab standing crops have greatly improved, but fodder is still scarce in many districts and cattle are weak. The numbers on relief however have almost doubled. Rajputana, which has almost a hundred and five thousand persons on relief reports public health good and relief measures adequate. From Central India we hear that pasturage is bad in parts of Gwalior, and scarce in North of Bundelkhand. Prices are high in Gwalior, Indore and Baghelkhand and are rising in Bhopal.

In Bombay Presidency distress is gradually increasing, but is still not acute. No emaciation and no aimless wandering are reported. In Nasik the supply of fodder is sufficient for the present, but prices are very high as agriculturists are hoarding their stocks. Water-supply is running short, but measures for its improvement are in progress. The demand for labour is sufficient and ordinary works afford employment. There is said to be no necessity for test works, the condition of field labourers, cultivators, weavers and artisans is fair, but emigration continues. In Ahmednagar the condition of cattle is deteriorating, and they are returning from outside for want of fodder there. The condition of cultivators and agricultural labourers is generally bad. Most labourers have already emigrated. Distress is slowly increasing and agricultural labourers seem inclined to leave their villages to join tal and other famine relief works. Fortunately people on relief are generally in good condition and relief measures are adequate. In Poona, Local Board and Railway works provide employment for the affected people, and there is no aimless wandering, but small agriculturists are coming to the end of their resources and distress is gradually increasing. The condition of the Sholapur weavers and artisans is good to fair and that of small agriculturists and labourers gives no cause for uneasiness, but the supply of water is running short and the outlook cannot improve. Satara reports that her labourers are beginning to be attracted to the test working opened in the Phaltan State, which would appear to indicate the necessity for further relief works in the district. In Bijapur the condition of the town population is fair and that of cultivators and field labourers is growing worse. Distress, though not yet acute, is increasing. Up to the present the people are not resorting to works freely, but it is considered they will probably do so after completion of the rabi harvest. Water-supply is being improved in places where it is running short, but water in irrigation tanks and wells is nearly exhausted. Distress is slowly increasing in affected parts, and signs of emaciation have been noticed among applicants for dole at Athni. Similar signs are reported from Nargand Petha in Dharwar, which locality also reports that sixty per cent. of the population has emigrated. Kolhapur and Southern Maratha Country prices are high and water is running short, whilst in Terdal, Sangli State, distress is acute. It is hopeless looking forward to any improvement in the situation in much less than three months, and it is well to know that Government relief operations are thoroughly well organised and are so far answering all requirements.

TRADE UNION LAW. THE Trade Disputes Bills which have been introduced into Parliament within the past two Sessions are to be reintroduced as a ministerial measure. The Royal Commission appointed in 1903 "to enquire into the subject of trade disputes and trade combinations and as to the law affecting them and to report on the law applicable to the same, and the effect of any modification thereof" has now made its report. The Royal Commission, it will be remembered, consisted of Lord Dunedin, Sir W. T. Lewis Bart, Sir Godfrey Lushington, Mr. Arthur Cohen, K C., and Mr. Sidney Webb, and, as is often the case, these gentlemen are by no means unanimous. The majority report is signed by Lord Dunedin, Mr. Arthur Cohen and Mr. Sidney Webb. Sir Godfrey Lushington has a long report of his own, mainly in agreement with the majority report, and Sir William Lewis writes a minority report which is almost entirely in disagreement. The most extraordinary feature of the report is that though it is greatly in favour of better treatment for trade unions than the existing law it was not the trade unionists, but the employers which brought this about. The Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress resolved that no member of a union should give evidence before the Commission and the resolution was adopted by the general Congress of Trade Unions. The two most prominent points dealt with are the liability of union funds to be taken in executive for wrongful acts of the agents of the union. On this in reference to the Taff Vale dispute it appears clearly from the employers evidence that "It is practically unanimous and asserts clearly that the effect of the judgment has been to make trade unions much more careful than heretofore in seeking not to infringe the law with the result that strikes have been less frequent, that in the conduct of trade disputes there has been less violence and intimidation and that the disputes themselves have been easier to settle than was the case before the law was authoritatively laid down." The general tenour of the report is found in two recommendation which are (1) to declare Trade Unions Legal Associations and (2) to declare Strikes, from whatever motive or for whatever purposes (including sympathetic or secondary strikes), apart from crime or breach of contract, legal and to make the Act of 1875 to extend to sympathetic or secondary strikes."

In a word the Commission proposes that trade unions shall be legally empowered to intimidate employers by denying that an agreement between two or more parties, to organise a strike is conspiracy. It is hard to see how this view can be held. The organisation of a strike is obviously a conspiracy to force an employer into a line of action repugnant to his principles by depriving him of his means of livelihood. We cannot accept this view which is offered by the majority report. Far more reasonable is that of Sir William Lewis, a man whose knowledge of labour question both theoretical and as a large employer puts his opinion far in advance of those with whom he was associated in the inquiry. His recommendations are (1) "That no statute should be passed which would in effect repeal the decisions in the Taff Vale case. The beneficial effects of which to the community generally have been emphasised by all the witnesses. (2) That to members of a trade union be given a right of action against the trade union to which they belong for improperly refusing to apply for their benefit, the benefit funds to which they had contributed and to make agreements entered into between trade unions of workmen and trade unions of employers legally enforceable (3) to prevent watching and besetting under any circumstances. This recommendation is also made by Sir Godfrey Lushington in his report. (4) That in view of the overwhelming evidence we have received as to the cruelty and oppression to which non-unionists are subjected at present, the practicability of devising legislation to prohibit strikes against non-unionists should be considered, in order to prevent, if possible, the existing gross infringments of the liberty of the subject." It is too much to hope that the present Parliament will accord to Sir William Lewis' report the consideration which it deserves. The Labour Party is in a position to enforce many of its demands upon the Liberals who have won their seats mainly on the vote of the lower classes and the effect of the passing of the Bill will be to render the position of employers so insecure as to be untenable. The Act which is proposed is nothing more or less than a measure to give the control of English Trade into the hands of paid agitators. It is a hopeful outlook, as hopeful as that beyond many of the measures which have been proposed in a reckless scramble for power, and there is no doubt but that it will be thrown as a bribe to the doubting Thomases on the Labour benches who have suceeded from the Party which alone has wished to claim them.

LADY SANDHURST. BOMBAY will hear with regret of the death of Lady Sandhurst, whom they knew so well during the time her noble husband was Governor of this Presidency. A daughter of Lord Spencer, "The Red Earl," Lady Victoria Alexandrina Spencer, married Lord Sandhurst in 1881. When, in 1895, Lord Sandhurst was appointed Governor of Bombay, it was generally understood she was reluctant to come out to India. It being pointed out to her, however, that there were important social duties appertaining to the office her ladyship consented to accompany her husband, and during the whole period of his Governorship, with the exception of one short trip Home, she shared his anxieties and gracefully discharged the social duties at Government House. Whilst in Bombay Lady Sandhurst took a keen intertest in charitable work and in all matters connected with the welfare of women in this Presidency. She renewed the work of the Ladies' Branch of the National Indian Association on its original basis, and was its President until the time she left Bombay. Among other reasons why her ladyship will be remembered in Bombay was that she inaugurated and took part in a series of afternoon musical entertainments which brought before the public much talent that had otherwise lain hidden.

THE Viceroy will do some tiger shooting during his visit to Daltonganj.

H. M. S. TERRIBLE, Captain H. H. Campbell, sailed yesterday for Karachi.

H. M. S. PERSEUS, Commander M. R. Hill, sailed yesterday for Karachi.

THE P. and O. steamer Tientsin, left Singapore on March 15 calling at Colombo.

THE Bank of Bombay yesterday reduced, its rate of interest on demand loans on Government Paper to 8 per cent.

THE P. and O. Company's steamer Himalaya, with the outward mails of the 9th instant, left Suez at 7-30 a.m. on March 15.

THE ballot at the Bombay Chamber of Commerce yesterday for a representative of the Chamber to serve on the Board of the Bombay Improvement Trust resulted in the re-election of Mr. C. H. B. Forbes of the firm of Messrs. C. H. B. Forbes & Co.

The Maharaja of Benares proceeds shortly to Calcutta, and will exchange visits with the Viceroy.

IT is proposed to enrol a number of gentlemen as mounted scouts in the North-Western Railway volunteers.

THE next official examination in the Baluchi language will be held at Dera Ghazi Khan on the 2nd April.

MR. GEORGE HUDDLESTON, C. I. E., has written a history of the East India Railway, and the work will shortly be published.

THE P. and O. Company's steamer Orienral with the homeward mails of the 10th instant, arrived at Aden at 7 p.m. on March 14.

Saugor and Sirur will be given up as cavalry stations next cold weather. This will permit of the Mhow Cavalry Brigade being formed.

The Shape from Lhassa arrived at Calcutta on the Tuesday morning. He has now to declare to the Government of India the nature of his mission.

ACCORDING to the "Madras Railway Magazine" the construction of the Podanur, Palni and Palghaut Line on the standard gauge (5' 6") will probably be started within the next few months.

THE engagement is announced of Mr. H. C. Woodman, Private Secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and Miss Phyllis Buckland, daughter of Colonel Phil Buckland retired.

A "Ceylon Observer" special telegram from London on March 9 announces that Mr. Herbert Compton, Secretary of the Anti-Tea Duty League resigned his office on March 6. The business of the Secretaryship of the League is being carried on by a Sub-Committee till a new Secretary is elected.

DURING the week ending on Tuesday, twenty and a half chests of opium were removed from warehouse in Bombay. Of these one was shipped per s.s. Somali to Delagoa Bay, 15 1-2 were purchased for the Bombay Government and 4 for the Opium Farmer at Bhownagar. Eight chests were imported from Indore and 100 from Ahmedabad.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, for the week ending 27th January amounted to Rs.1,515 being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 1,049. Total earnings from 1st Jan. to 27th January were Rs. 5,803, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 2,752.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti-Valley Railway, for the week ending 27th January, amounted to Rs. 48,009 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 31,019. Total earnings from 1st January to 27th January were Rs. 1,67,987, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 96,838.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 27th January amounted to Rs. 4,877, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 262, Total earnings from 1st January to 27th January were Rs. 16,028 being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 662.

THE Assam-Bengal Railway has been one of the most costly projects ever undertaken in India, and the only way in which any fair interest can be earned on the enormous capital outlay is by the building of scores of short feeder-lines. At present the earnings per mile per week, over the whole system are only about Rs. 100, a sum ludicrously small when compared with the Rs. 700 or Rs. 800, which some of the older lines are earning. There are various projects for feeders, and one of these has just been sanctioned. It is thirty miles long and is designed to bring Sylhet in touch with the main line. The taking-off point is at Kalaura station, and the first section of sixteen miles to the Khoosears River will be begun forthwith. It is to be hoped that other short lines will be sanctioned year by year in order that local traffic in the more productive parts of Assam may be developed.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay, during the week ending March 13, was 1,485, giving a death-rate of 96·56 per annum per thousand as against 101·87 the corresponding period of last year, and 118·74 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 114 died from fevers ; 411, plague ; 8, small-pox ; 38, measles ; 2, cholera ; 5 leprosy ; 87, phthisis ; 46, diseases of the nervous system ; 318, affections of the respiratory organs ; 90, diarrhœa ; 32, dysentery ; 44, still-born ; 157, old age and debility ; 16, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 64 ; Brahmin, 33 ; Lingaet, 5 ; Bhattia, 11 ; Hindu of other caste, 734 ; Hindu low caste, 220 ; Musalman, 293 ; Parsee 24 ; Jew, 8 ; Native Christian, 32 ; Eurasian, 2 ; European, 13 ; Negro-African, 1 ; and other and unknown castes, 1. The total number of births was 366 as against 282 the corresponding period of last year, and 265 the average over the past five years.

According to a Straits paper a daring attempt at highway robbery in broad daylight is reported from Tanjong Bungah. While Captain and Mrs. Webber were driving into town from the direction of Batu Ferringi, at about half-past ten o'clock one morning, a crowd of Chinese stopped their carriage at a point on the road about three quarters of a mile beyond the Swimming Club. One of the Chinese held the horse's head, and another man made a grab at the gold watch chain which Captain Webber was wearing. The syce, however, with commendable presence of mind, determinedly whipped up the horse, which bolted away down the road with the carriage before the Chinese had time to realise what was happening. Not long afterwards Captain and Mrs. Webber met Inspector Brannigan and Sergeant King, who were proceeding to Batu Ferringi on duty. The police officers promptly drove on to the place where the outrage occurred and arrested a man on the spot. About twenty minutes afterwards they arrested another man. Both men appeared before the Magestrate and were remanded pending further investigations.

THE marriage arranged between Captain Vivian E. Muspratt, 30th Lancers, Indian Army, son of the late James Randall Muspratt, Indian Civil Service, (Bengal), and Lily, second daughter of the late James Hope, Indian Civil Service, Madras, and of Mrs. Hope Brunswick Gardens, Kensington, will take place in London at the end of this month.

DR. GUIDO BIAGI, the well-known Italian scholar, has achieved an interesting find in the National Library at Florence—namely the original cards, applying for the books which George Eliot studied when she was writing Romola. Many of these cards are signed by George Henry Lewes. Dr. Biagi is engaged in editing Romola from an historical standpoint for an American edition of the romance, which will be illustrated by more than a hundred views of the Florence of Savonarola's day, most of them taken from the old works George Eliot used.

THE oil fields of the Orange River Colony are about to be exploited. Indications of petroleum have been found in the districts of Heilbron, Kroonstad, Lindley, Boshof, Bethlehem, Ficksburg, and Ladybrand, and options on oiliferous lands have been taken up on a large scale. Two syndicates have now been formed to acquire the town lands of Harrismith and adjoining farms, the moving spirits being Messrs. E. Hancock and Lagesen and Mr. J. Bell respectively. It was the finds of petroleum on the Harrismith commonage which gained prominence for Orange River Colony oil, but while there is undoubtedly oil there its existence in payable quantities has yet to be proved. Dr. M. J. Stephen, writing in "South African Mines," says that he is satisfied that the oil does not occur in fissures, but in a deposit covering a large area, and considers that the surface indications point to the oil being found in payable quantity. His remarks apply to the Harrismith town lands, on which one of the syndicates proposes to start boring operations at once.

"THE LIZARD."

A FRIENDLY STUDY.

I OFTEN console Urania at times of exceptional domestic stress, by reminding her that if she had more capacity for dealing with the only sort of servants at present available to us she would have been a far less agreeable person to be married to. Consider for instance, some of Urania's present acquaintances. There is the lady who recently declared that her life was, one long battle against dirt, and the numerous others who appear content to spend their few precious years, on this earth in a kind of sordid warfare with their domestics, to whom they stand in the combined relation of slave-driver and detective. I remind Urania that to be lacking in the kind of breeding and training necessary for success in such a career is in itself a great gain, but that for our immunity from ignoble pre-occupations we must expect to pay the price. Accordingly, as long as it is only a matter of ill-cooked food and the rapid disintegration of dinner services and other brittle things, we say to one another, in the words of Epictetus. This is the price of tranquility, for so much Peace is bought. There arise, however, crises in which the price of tranquility becomes prohibitive, when Urania makes discovery of courses quite intolerable, and then the kitchen vestal vanishes with her yellow tin box and a month's wages in lieu of notice. Then the empty house is swept and garnished, and in due course we take unto ourselves, not indeed seven, but one, or at most two, other servants, and the last state of the house is worse than the first.

But even these recurrent catastrophes, writes F. E. Wynn in the "Manchester Guardian," are not without their compensations. It is to them that we owe our acquaintance with our charwoman, long known to us as "The Lizard." She it is who does the sweeping and garnishing during each change of dynasty in the kitchen, thus forming not only a constant link between the successive ravagers of our home, but also their sternest and their best-informed critic. It is her supreme delight on each occasion of this sort to point out to Urania new and unsuspected evidences of incompetence and dishonesty, awful caches of dirt and waste, the inspection of which the latter is by no means allowed to forego ; then, with a triumphant gesture with her dustpan, she remarks I've known you to have a many b-ad 'uns afore, but never the like of this."

"The Lizard" originally introduced herself to Urania as "Mrs. Pendercrask," evidently a kind of irregular metathesis for Prendergast, but she intimated that she was willing to be addressed as "Lizzie," and it was doubtless this fact, coupled with the extraordinary rapidity with which she covers the floor on all-fours when armed with a scrubbing-brush, that determined her nickname. In person she is not merely small but stunted, her only remarkable feature being the large black eyes which look out from her wasted, eager face and become quite beautiful with enthusiasm at the prospect of attacking any kind of dirt or polishing metallic surfaces. In this matter of objective dirt she seems to be actuated by an overmastering instinct that suggests the passionate onslought of a phagocyte on some hapless microbe. She is in fact a domestic phagocyte. There is moreover a strange altruism in this passion of hers, since it applies not at all to her own person which is always bedraggled and unclean so that in ungrateful moments one is tempted to forget her nobler qualities.

Her conversation is incessant but owing to its rapidity—the reflex of her eager mind and its debased and hybrid dialect—it is mainly unintelligible though one can understand enough to notice a total elimination of the definite and indefinite articles. However in spite of this mechanical bar to intercourse Urania has learned much of her life and character.

Her life is on the whole a happy one, inasmuch as the greater part of it is spent in the exercise of her ruling passion—for cleaning. Besides this she has a constant preoccupation, the weekly struggle to extract a reasonable portion of his wages from her husband on Fridays. It is the degree of success or failure achieved in this enterprise that gives light and shade to what might otherwise prove a monotonous existence. Mr. Prendergast is a collier of the still not uncommon type that is skilful and industrious in his calling, earns good wages, and spends at least a fourth of them in getting drunk once a week. The symptom of a certain stage of his intoxication is the habitual blacking of his wife's eye. This is done without malice on his part and is not resented by her. Nothing interferes with her loyal admiration for her master, and when more than usually disfigured she is careful to explain that there's a many worse than 'im, an' 'e's a king to what I remember 'im.'

Two of the earlier children born to her have survived and are now out in the world, and in these she also takes a wholesome pride. In fact as wife and mother and mistress of a home she belongs to a higher social type than the unhappy hired girl, who lives perforce a parasitic existence, without opportunities of developing the civic virtues. I have had ample illustration of this distinction, since I have always endeavoured to cultivate a certain aloofness from the transient members of our domestic staff. This may be to some extent an effect of disposition, but it arises in part also from policy, as I have flattered myself that should occasion arise any intervention on my part would be fraught with the terrors of the unknown. But any such attitude is entirely lost upon "The Lizard." She makes me feel that I also am included in the sphere of her benevolent familiarity, and we meet as equals. Only the other day, as I picked my steps among buckets and foul rags star-spangled on the oil-cloth in the hall, she whipped a photograph from her bosom and thrust it into my hand. That's a'r Mary Ellen, she explained, still kneeling. Oo's at Rope and Anchor now. They've a lot of company there, an' 'oo does nowt but waiting on. I saw the picture of a puffy young woman with hair that seemed to flout the laws of gravity in its wide excursion from its presumable place of origin, but the maternal pride was entitled to respect and sympathy, and I spoke hopefully of the possibilities of marriage with some frequenter of the ordinary, even it might be, with a commercial traveller.

Pride, in fact, is the dominant note in the character of this lowly seeming woman, a healthy pride not without its reasonable justification. She is proud of the excellences she sees in husband and children, and above all proud of herself of her extreme efficiency in the only environment that she knows, of her independence, her loyalty, and honesty. I have cleaned for you seven year now "she will say to Urania and you haven't missed that," holding up a triumphant finger and thumb tightly closed on nothing. Finally, she never takes her wages without assuring herself that the payment is quite convenient to her employer. It'll do any time she says after a day's apparent slavery ! Is she not entitled to a kindly judgment if at times she too is incapacitated at the "wik's eend" ?

Messrs. Kemp & Co., Bombay, have issued their comprehensive foolscap size ILLUSTRATED PRICE LIST seventy-fifth issue, containing two hundred pages setting out drugs and all sorts of goods connected with medicine and pharmacy. A special inset bearing photographs of the Company's different Bombay establishments, interior and exterior, describes the development of the business, the Laboratory with its apparatus and machinery, where the greater part of the medicines for which the Firm claims such excellence, are made. Here bales of crude drugs are stacked, ready for reduction into medicaments, and all the properties incidental to the manufacture and dispersal of every variety of medicine, tonic, compressed food, or extract of meat are stored. Steam is the motive power, the boiler is cased in asbestos, a dispensation most suited to the difficult Bombay climate. In a separate room is the machine for the manufacture of disinfecting powders, and the store of the carbolic acid required in making some of them. The aerated water plant is in another department, the most modern machinery, the purest gas, and filtered water being used. The bottles and syphons are washed by machinery. An analytical Laboratory is also maintained, where chemical and microscopical investigations are made, both for the Company's own business and for commercial purposes. It is a melancholy fact that the list of drugs is an ever lengthening one. In this catalogue there are enumerated no fewer different items than 50,000, all bearing more or less on medicine and hygiene, household or personal.

THE MILLS IN BOMBAY.

LANCASHIRE STILL VIGILANT.

Deputation Coldly Received by Mr. Morley.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, MARCH 15.

A deputation of textile workers waited upon Mr. Morley yesterday and called his attention to the long hours of the cotton operatives in Bombay. Mr. Morley in reply expressed the liveliest sympathy and said the Government of India had the question fully and directly under notice. He was not sure they wanted his official stimulus and was considering whether he should suggest to the Government of India to invite an English inspector to report on the condition of the workers. It was, he said, a question of humanity and not competition between India and Lancashire.

THE NEW FRENCH MINISTRY.

Decided War Maintained.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

The French Ministerial statement declares they are determined to crush all resistance to the Separation Law.

The Chamber, to-day, passed a vote of confidence by 305 against 197.

FURLOUGH OF SOLDIERS IN INDIA.

Present Offers Sufficiently Good.

Mr. Morley, in reply to a question, said he was not prepared to go beyond the offers already made concerning furlough being granted to soldiers in India.

THE COURRIERES DISASTER.

Hitherto 232 bodies have been recovered at Courrieres despite the stench hampering the searchers.

OLD AGE PENSIONS

Are Impracticable.

The House of Commons have adopted a Resolution in favour of Old Age Pensions. Mr. Asquith accepted the principle, but said reform depended upon a reduction in expenditure.

NELSON'S RELICS AT AUCTION.

The Plan of Trafalgar.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Nelson's memorandum of the Trafalgar battle plan which has been hidden for a century has been sold at auction in London for £3,600.

THE FIGHTING IN MANILA.

Enquiry into the Carnage.

The Washington Senate has passed a Resolution asking for full details of the killing of women and children in the Philippines.

CRICKET IN SOUTH AFRICA.

S. Africans Win the Third Test Match.

The South Africans have won the third test match against the Englishmen by 243 runs.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

Professor Bendall and Lady Sandhurst.

[Mr. Cecil Bendall, M.A., M.R.A.S., was Professor of Sanskrit, Cambridge, since 1903; born London, 1 July 1856; married Georgeette, widow of late G. Mosse of Cowley Hall, Middlesex, 1898. Educated City of London School; Trin. Coll. and Caius Coll., Camb. 1st Class Classical Tripos; 1st Class Indian Languages Tripos; Fellow Caius Coll. 1879-85; Senior Assistant, Department of Oriental MSS. and printed Books, British Museum, 1882 98; Curator of Oriental Literature in University Library, Cambridge, 1902; travelled in N. India and Nepal, 1884-85 and 1898-99; Member of Council Royal Asiatic Soc. 1901; Professor of Sanskrit, Univ. Coll. London, 1885-1903; University Lecturer Sanskrit Cambridge, 1902-03. Publications:—Catalogue of Buddhist Sanskrit MSS. in University Library, Cambridge, 1883; Journey of Literary and Archæological Research in Nepal and Northern India, 1886; Cikshasamuccaya, St. Petersburg 1897-1902; Catalogues of Sanskrit and Pali books (1893) and of Sanskrit MSS. (1902) in the British Museum; Subhasita Samgraba, Lovain 1903.]

[A notice of the late Lady Sandhurst will be found in our editorial columns.]

THE ADJUTANT GENERALSHIP.

STAFF OF THE SUPPLY OFFICE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 15.

General A. R. Martin's name is mentioned for the appointment of Adjutant General, but the approval of the Secretary of State is necessary before any nomination can be announced.

In the Military Supply Department, there will eventually be a Secretary, Deputy Secretary and Assistant Secretary. The Secretary has already been appointed, but the Deputy and Assistant Secretaries have not yet been nominated. The pay of the Secretary will probably be Rs. 2,500.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE CHINESE ON THE RAND.

Further Exportation to be Stopped.

A NOTE OF WARNING FROM THE OPPOSITION.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Winston Churchill explained that the abrogation of the Chinese Convention dealing with coolie labour would require the assent of China and affect the emigration in the Straits and Burmah, which are included in the Convention. As far as the Transvaal is concerned, the Convention could be rendered a dead letter by the Consuls resuming the powers delegated to Emigration Agents.

LATER.

Mr. Winston Churchill, last night, demonstrated the intention of the Government to put an end to the exportation of Chinese to the Transvaal when the outstanding licenses were completed, firstly by instructing Consuls in China to cease their cooperation and secondly, by vetoing any propesals submitted by the Transvaal responsible Government which the Imperial Government considered derogatory to the fundamental principles of liberty and decency. He urged the mine owners to cease wringing their hands and turn their energy to the discovery of a less unnatural substitute for Chinese,

Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain concurred in warning the Government against entering upon a dangerous policy in interfering with the vital affairs of a self-governing Colony.

MOROCCO CONFERENCE. SUSPENDED.

Unfortunate Deadlock.

The sittings of the Algeciras Conference have been suspended and a rupture is imminent.

It is expected the Governments will now negotiate direct.

The failure of the conference has long been prophesied. A Reuter's message from Pairs, a month ago, explained the situation. "It is useless," observed the correspondent "to disguise the impression, which is being produced here, that Germany, seeing that all the other Powers have become favourably inclined to France, in consequence of the admirable disinterestedness displayed by her, and of the complete guarantees she has given to the interests of others, begins to find that this Conference, which she alone sought, is turning out badly for her, and is preparing a rupture, the responsibility of which she will naturally endeavour to throw upon the obduracy of France. This impression is apparent in the question put to themselves by some of the delegates, 'Does Germany want or not want a rupture of the Conefrence?' They are inclined to answer the question in the affirmative. The language of the German delegates, however, does not bear out this impression. They say that Germany is ready to make concession if France will do so on her side, and that, though the Conference has to pass through some difficult stages, an honourable solution will be reached, perhaps only at the last moment, and when it is least expected. The German delegates are not particularly pleased with the Conference, but Germany having by her insistence forced the Conference upon the world, and Powers politically disinterested in Morocco, such as the United States, Italy, and Russia having accepted it and having sent to it representatives enjoying great authority in the European diplomacy, they understood that she cannot render the Conference abortive until all means of reaching an agreement have been exhausted. One fact, however, which anyone can prove, must be noted, and that is that all the delegates are fully satisfied with the attitude of France. They are convinced that France, and France alone, can restore and maintain order in Morocco, and that she alone has the necessary power to do this. They also fully recognise that the accusation that France wishes to Tunisify Morocco is absurd in view of the solemn proclamation of the independence of the Sultan and the integrity of Morocco; that the economic interests of Germany in Morocco are considerably less important than those of the majority of the other Powers and her political interests in the country are not even on the same level with those of the Mediterranean Powers and are much less important than those of France on account of the latter's possessions on the Moorish frontier. People in Berlin must thoroughly realise that no one in Paris understands the vigour of Germany's proceeding with regard to Morocco. Many other Powers have interests in Morocco infinitely greater than those of Germany, who, nevertheless, is seeking to monopolise Moorish policy. Two interpretations are given here to this attitude, namely, either that Germany is acting in principle and for unknown reasons against the interests which are essential to France, or that she has secret aims and private ambitions in Morocco, which she can at present neither justify nor avow, but which she means to carry out in the future."

MESSRS. RALLI BROTHERS' FIRE.

TEN LAKHS' DAMAGE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 15.

The total loss due to the fire at Messrs. Ralli Brothers' godowns in Lal Bazaar on January 30th last, amounts to ten lakhs of rupees. The loss falls on the Northern, the Phœnix, the Manchester and the Law Union of Paris Insurance Companies.

POLICE SERVICE IN THE UNITED PROVINCES.

REFERENCE AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, MARCH 15.

His Honour Sir James La Touche presided at the meeting of the United Provinces Legislative Council in Allahabad, on Tuesday, when the Local and Rural Rates Bill and District Boards Bill were passed.

In reply to a question by Nawab Yusuf Ali Khan the Hon'ble Mr. Winter stated that the Secretary of State's sanction to the revision of the gazetted grades of the Police Service, and the appointment of Deputy Superintendents of Police had not yet been communicated to the Government. Rules regulating the appointment of Deputy Superintendents were under consideration and would shortly be published.

DROWNING FATALITIES AT COCHIN.

BOAT CAPSIZED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, MARCH 14.

Mr. Burden, third Officer of the Shah Jehan, accidentally fell overboard at Cochin on Monday night and was drowned.

On the evening of the next day another sad fatality occurred there. Mr. Carbutt, Chief Engineer of the same steamer, while going in a dubash boat, was drowned, the boat having capsized. All were saved except the Chief Engineer.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

NEW COLOURS FOR THE 127TH BALUCHIS.

WHITE STONES OF THE INDIAN BOUNDARY.

THROUGH TWO AND A HALF MILE TUNNEL TO THE FRONTIER.

SAFE RETURN TO QUETTA.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

CHAMAN, MARCH 15.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess having left Quetta at midnight last night arrived at Chaman at 8 30 this morning and were received by the Political Agent, and the Achakzai Maliks about two hours later. They then drove to the parade-ground where the Prince presented new Colours to the 127th Baluch Regiment. Their Royal Highnesses were attended by General Smith-Dorrien' the Hon. Mr. Tucker, Agent to the Governor-General, Colonel Young and members of the Royal suite.

Raised by Sir Charles Napier in Sind in 1844 as the 1st Baluch Regiment, the Battalion served during the Indian Mutiny, taking part in the siege of Delhi, and the storming of Kashmir Gate as well as in the campaigns of Rohilkhand and Oudh. It was the only Regiment of the Bombay Army, which fought at Delhi. After the Mutiny its record of services includes Abyssinia and the capture of Magdala, Afghanistan in 1881, Burma 1886-1889, East Africa and Uganda 1891-99, when the Battalion assisted in the suppressing of Soudanese Mutineers, detachments of the Regiment served with the 2nd Belooch regiment in Eygpt 1882, with the 3rd Balluch regiment in China, 1900-02, and the Battalion composed the major part of the force which was ordered to the Mekran and captured Nodiz Fort in 1901.

The ceremony of presenting the Colours was striking and picturesque. The Prince having handed the new colours to two native officers addressed them and said:—

"Colonel Evens, Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and men of the 127th Baluch Light Infantry,—Since the days when your regiment was raised by Sir Charles Napier, more than 60 years ago, it has rendered gallant and devoted services to its Sovereign and Empire, not only in India but across the seas in Africa, Burma and the Far East. The names of your campaigns are displayed on the Colours which I have great pleasure in presenting to you. They are a sign of your duty to your King-Emperor and country and also a record of those actions, in which your predecessors have upheld the honour of the regiment. For such reasons you rightly venerate them and upon them take your oath of allegiance. May you ever be guided by the noble traditions which they betoken and, should you again becalled to active service, may victory attend you. I am certain that the Colours will remain safe in your keeping."

General Beason read an Urdu translation of the speech and thereafter Colonel Evens commanding the regiment replied expressing the Battalion's cordial appreciation of the great kindness his Royal Highness had shown them in coming down to Chaman, one of the farthest outposts on the border of the Indian Empire to present the new Colours. The 15th of March would always be a red letter day in the annals of the Battalion and the new Colours thus graciously confided to their charge would be as loyally cherished and devotedly guarded in the future service of the King-Emperor as in days gone by had been those old emblems of loyalty and devotion which had to-day passed from their keeping.

After the ceremony the Prince and Princess escorted by a detachment of the Sind Horse, drove to the British Fort which is within a mile of the border line, passing the bazar decorated with carpets on the way. From the frontier boundary marked by white stones, the Afghan Fort of Spin Baldock is seen a little distance away perched on a hillock at the foot of low hills beyond which Kandahar lies less than sixty miles off. New Chaman is in the middle of a plain fringed by a circle of hills, and the railway telegraph and all things British here end abruptly. Beyond the frontier a few nomadic Afghans had pitched their tents and were grazing their sheep and goats; on the other side there were a few camels resting beside an encampment of huts. But more interesting were the mobilization camp, the commissariat sheds and the stores of railway material kept ready for future requirements. These were all seen by the Prince and Princess. They began the return journey to Quetta at noon and the route of one of the most interesting lines of railway in the world was then closely studied. Returnnig from Chaman the line winds for seventeen miles on a gradient of one in forty to the middle of the Khojak tunnel. The tunnel is two and half miles long and pierces the Kwaja Amran whose summit is still covered with snow. From Shelabagh to Killa Abdulla the line zigzags down for over ten miles and after passing Gulistan, crosses the plateau of Pishin, thence winding amonglow hills it reaches Bostan where the Sind Pishin and the Muskaf-Bolan railways join and so on to Quetta.

QUETTA, MARCH 16.

The Prince and Princess rode on trollies behind the train from Shilabag at the mouth of the Khojak tunnel to Killa Abdulla at foot of Kwayd Amran. Quetta was reached shortly after six.

Their Royal Highnesses leave for Karachi 10 o'clock, to-morrow.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

CONCERT IN AID OF THE BUILDING FUND.

IN aid of the proposed new building fund of the Bombay Young Women's Christian Association a Concert was held last night in the hall of the Society's Building on Wellington Lines, when a large audience was present and an excellent programme was set before the gathering. The evening opened with a piano solo, Fantasia in C minor sympathetically rendered by Miss Grogan. This was followed by a lullaby, "Softly sleeps my baby," sung by Miss Willis. Miss Muir-Mackenzie, who is one of the most skilful amateur violinists in Bombay, gave Wagner's "The Preislied" to the delight of the audience, a pretty performance which was followed by a turn which we should be happy to listen to again. This was a duet by Miss Baker and Mr. Edgar Faulkner, a charming love ditty entitled "The Pretty Little Flower and the Great Oak Tree." The two voices, blended very harmoniously, and Miss Baker, who is one of Mr. Faulkner's pupils, did the well-known organist much credit. Mr. C. B. Jeaffreson missed the mark in his musical recitation. He has an admirable elocution, but even at a "Young Women's" concert there is no necessity to be as melancholy as you possibly can, and something with a laugh in it would have been a delightful variation in this sort of entertainment. Mr. Jeaffreson would do well to eschew the musical accompaniment in future. Hamlet's famous soliloquy "To be or not to be" is absolutely chirpy to the piece he selected last night. Miss Millard's piano solo followed. Miss Russell sang very sympathetically "Faithful to God and Thee" and Miss Muir-Mackenzie, with her violin, preceded the turn of the evening, which was Mr. Faulkner's rendering of "I'll sing the songs of Araby," and Miss Spilling gave a plaintive lullaby, which brought a very pleasant musical evening to a close.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A meeting of the members of the Bombay Natural History Society took place at the Society's Rooms yesterday, Revd. F. Dreckmann, S. J., presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following 32 new members, since last meeting, was duly announced:—Captain H. Innes I. M. S. (Barisal, E. Bengal); Mr. G. T. Raikes (Karachi); Major J. W. Jennings, R. A. M. C. (Lucknow); Captain J. E. Luard (Indore, C. I.); Mr. W. L. Palmer (Rahenz, Siam); Major General F. A. Buckley (Landour, Mussorie.); Mr. B. Egerton (Hyderabad, Deccan); Mr. F. C. Purkis (Rangoon); Mr. M. D. Parsons, (Myitkynia, U. Burma); Lieutenant W. P. C. Tenison, R. F. A. (Mian Mir); Mr. J. N. Fraser (Bombay); Mr. J. M. Haymann, (Cawnpore); Dr. Adolf Lehmann (Bangalore). Captain O. Fitys Gerald (Fort William, Calcutta); Mr. C. C. A. Prideaux (P. O. Lingsugar, Deccan); Mr A. P. Doll (Khairatabad, Hyderabad, Deccan); Captain E. C. Doughty (Bellary); Mr. R. Parnell, I. F. S. (Lahore), Mr. H. G. Wyatt (Lahore); Mr. W. F. Daw J. P. (Ceylon); Mr. C. O. Lowsley (Jacobabad, Sind); Mr. W. Swain (Bhagalpore, E.I.R.); Captain J. R. Tyrrell I.M.S. (Ajmere). Lieutenant-Colonel B. W. Marlow (Poona); Mr. P. M. Lushington (Mannantoddy, North Malabar); Mr. H. H. Marshall, L.R.C.S. (Mandalay); Major J. L. Macrae I.M.S. (Meiktila, Burma); Mrs. C. S. Stack (Poona). Mr. P. G. Tipping (Sidapur, Coorg); The Mess. President, 85th Regiment (K.S.L.I.) (Fyzabad.); Miss F. E. Thomas C.M.S. (Megnanaparam, Tinnevelly District), and Mr. Balcrishna Vinayak Vasudeo Agaskar B.A. (Bombay).

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

The Honorary Secretary Mr. W. S. Millard, acknowledged receipt of the following contributions since the last meeting:—

Contribution.	Description.	Contributor.
1 Malformed head of Indian Gazelle	Gazelle bennettu	Do.
1 Snake (juv.) from Singapore	Chrysopeleaornata	Capt E Pratt
1 Eastern Wood Pigeon	Palumbus casiotis	Mr E M Reonel
1 Head and feet of Grey lag Goose	Anser ferus	Mr E L Sale I C S
8 White-winged Mynas	Sturnia nemoricola.	
1 Red-headed Trogon	Harpestes erytorocephalus	
1 Green Imperial Pigeon	Carpophaga Xnea	
1 Bengal Green Pigeon	Crocopus phœnicopterus	Mr C W Allan
1 Ashy-headed Green Pigeon	Osmotreron phayrei	
1 Smew	Mergus albellus	Capt Henderson
A specimen of Manganese ore from Ramnadroog Bellary Dist	Do.	Mr E A Hay
2 Bronzed Drongos	Chaptia aenia	Mr R Foulkes
1 Viper (juv.)	Echis carinata	
1 Snake (juv.)	Lycodon aulicus	Mr W Coea
1 do. (juv)	Coluber helena	
1 Snake (juv.)	Gongylophis conicus	Major Winter R A M C
3 Eggs of the Common Sand Grouse	Pterocolurus exustus	Mr A H A Simcox I C S
2 Eggs of the Crimson breasted Barbet	Xantholaema hœmatocephala	
3 Skins of squirrels from Singapore	Do.	Capt H R Baker
1 Skin of the Malay Tree-shrew	Tupaia ferruginea.	
Some butterflies, beetles from Singapore	Do.	
1 Fleying lizard	Draco maculatus	
1 Great crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus.	
3 Blue-breasted Quail	Excalfactoria chinensis	
1 Spider from Manipur	Do.	Capt F Powell Connor I M S
1 Bustard	Eupodotis Edwardsi	Mr R H Heath C E
1 Large Brown Flying Squirrel	Pteromys oral	Capt F.S Tancred
1 Blue-bearded Bee-Eater	Nyctiornis athertoni	Mr E G Oliver
1 Phoorsa (juv.)	Echis carinata	Mr. Sunderrao D Navalkar

Minor Contributions from Mr. S. E. F. Jenkins, Dr. J. F. Goldsmith and Mr M. R. Jardine.

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The Canadian Entomologist. Vol. XXXVIII Nos. 1 and 2.

Etat Independant du Congo. Annales du Musee du Congo.

Recensio Critica automatica of the Doctrine of Bird Migration.

Spolia Zeylanica. Vol. III Part XI.

THE JOURNAL.

The Honorary Secretary said that the next number of the Journal (No. 1, Vol. XVII) was in the press and he hoped that it would be ready for issue in a few weeks.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 1903.

The following gentlemen were elected as Office-bearers for the present year:—

President—H. E. Lord Lamington, G. C. M. G., G. C. I. E.

Vice Presidents—Mr. J. D. Inverarity, B.A. L L.B. Rev. F. Dreckmann, S. J., Mr. E. H. Aitken.

Managing Committee—Vet. Major G. H. Evans, Mr. E. C. Stuart Baker, F. Z. S., Mr. E. Ernest Green, F. E. S., Lt.-Col: K. R. Kirtikar, I. M. S., Lt.-Col: H. D. Olivier, R. E F. Z. S., Capt: F. Wall, I. M. S., C. M. Z. S., Mr. H. P. Macnaghten, Mr. G. M. Ryan, I. F. S., Col: W. B. Bannerman, I. M. S. Mr. E. Comber, F. Z. S., Mr. T. R. D. Bell, I. F. S., Major A. Newnham, F. Z. S., Major C. G. Nurse, F. E. S., Mr. L. C. H. Young, B. A., F. E. S., Mr. J. McNeill, I. C. S., Mr. John Wallace C. E., Mr. F. Gleadow, I. F. S., Capt: W. G. Liston, I. M. S., Capt: G. Lamb, I. M. S., Prof. G. A. Gammie.

Honorary Treasurer—Mr. N. C. Macleod, (ex-Officio.)

Honorary Secretary—Mr. W. S. Millard, F. Z. S. (ex-officio.)

ACCOUNTS FOR 1905.

Mr. N. C. Macleod, the Honorary Treasurer, placed before the meeting the Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1905, showing an income of Rs. 18,166 9-8 and an expenditure of Rs. 15,332-0-9 and a cash balance carried forward of Rs. 6,183-1-4. This balance was rather larger than usual, but since then Rs. 2,000 had been invested as representing the proportion of subscriptions received from those who had commuted their annual subscriptions by becoming Life Members. No such investment had been made in 1905. The Accounts were accepted subject to the usual audit and a vote of thanks was passed to the Honorary Treasurer.

EXHIBITS.

The Superintendent of the Victoria Gardens exhibited a quantity of stones weighing about 2 lbs. 2 oz. which had been found on post-mortem examination inside the stomach of a young cassowary. One of the stones was about 2 inches across and was found to be obstructing the intestine and this was probably the cause of death. Major A. F. Mackenzie exhibited the four feet of a black buck shot by Mr. A. Hanckel near Sholapore. The feet were all malformed and in the opinion of Mr. Sowerby, C. V. D., the Principal of the Parel Veterinary College, the buck must have been ill or injured for some considerable time, possibly by a former shot causing injury to the spinal cord and partial paralysis of the hind extremities.

PROPOSED ALTERATION TO RULE V.

The Committee give notice that they propose to alter Rule V. (Life Membership) making the sum payable for commuting the Annual Subscription Rs. 200 instead of Rs. 150.

PAPERS READ.

Mr. E. Comber read a paper contributed by Mr. E. W. Oates, F. Z. S., on "The Species of Bean Geese" which will be accompained with a coloured plate of the bills of the eight species that are supposed or many possibly be found to occur in British India. He pointed out that the importance of the subject from a naturalist's and a sportsman's point of view was evident from the fact that of all our Indian birds the Bean Geese are in the most unsatisfactory state. No specimens of Bean Geese are included in the enormous Hume collection of Indian birds and no recent writers have been satisfied with the material at their command to say definitely what species of Bean Geese do occur in India. The Pink-footed Goose ("Anser brachyrhynchus") which has always been included in Indian lists, is really the most unlikely of all the species to occur and Mr. Oates supports his doubts on its correct identification with forcible arguments. Mr. Oates is only satisfied one species of Bean Goose—"Anser middendorffi"—has actually been proved to have occurred in India, though further investigation will no doubt result in others being found.

Mr. Comber explained that the appeal that was included in the Society's Journal of December 1904 for the heads of Bean Geese for the purpose of their correct identification, had after two cold-weather shooting seasons, not resulted in one single specimen of a Bean Goose's head being received by the Society and he again appealed to members for as many specimens as possible next season, so that this important question may be cleared up.

The following notes were also read. "On the Magpie Robin" by Mr. E. C. Cholmondely and A record Dhaman (Zamenis mucosus) by Mr. F. Gleadow, I. F. S.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS.

AN adjourned meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held at the offices yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Sir Pherozeshah Mehta presiding:—

As recommended by the Standing Committee sanction was given to an advance of Rs. 10,000 from surplus cash-balance to meet excess expenditure in respect of stores to the Municipal Workshops in connection with repairs and alterations to municipal carts, etc.

KALBADEVI VACCINATION DEPOT.

Consideration was given to a report of the Committee regarding proposals to retain as an ordinary vaccine station a part of the former Central Vaccine Depot at Kalbadevi and to employ an additional staff for the preparation on a large scale of glycerinated lymph for vaccination. The Committee in its reports said proposals in question have not been received by the Corporation from Government, but have been forwarded to the Municipal Commissioner by the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of Bombay. The contribution made by the Corporation for Vaccination is as the Corporation are aware, of a voluntary character under Section 63 of the Municipal Act and in the Committee's opinion, any proposals for an increase of such contribution should come to the Corporation direct from Government and not from the Sanitary Commissioner addressed to the Municipal Commissioner Such a course is necessary in the interests of the Corporation for the purpose of avoiding any misleading implication as to the nature of the present grant made by the Corporation. Under the circumstances the Committee beg to recommend that the Commissioner be asked to inform the Sanitary Commissioner that he should place his proposals before Government.

Dr. Collie and Sir Bhalchandra Krishna appended minutes of dissent the latter stating he thought that on this technical point only the present important question should not be shelved. The increase of Rs. 1,000 for the preparation of Glycerinated Vaccine Lymph should be sanctioned. He agreed with Col. Collie in his contention that the Corporation would not be prepared to face the contingency of closing the Vaccination Station at Kalbadevi and allow vaccination to be carried on inefficiently for want of funds. Whatever was absolutely necessary for the health of the City should be sanctioned at once and then the technical point could be settled with Government.

Mr. Jaffer Rahimtoola in proposing that the report be approved and adopted and a copy sent to the Commissioner for guidance. From the report he said and it would be seen there was a great necessity for retaining a vaccination depot at Kalbadevie Road, especially when it was remembered that the Corporation had to provide as much money as Government might require for the carrying out of vaccination in the City. Considering the importance of vaccination in times of epidemics of small-pox he considered the resolution should be passed.

Dr. Dinshaw B. Master seconded.

Sir B. Krishna said when the matter came before the Standing Committee that Board recommended that the matter should be sanctioned. He considered the grant required should be given in the interests of the City and proposed as an amendment that without prejudice to the rights of the Corporation the Corporation should sanction a grant of Rs. 1,000 to meet the extra cost during the year of meeting the expense of a vaccination depot at Kalbadevi Road.

Dr. Collie having intimated that the Corporation were bound to see to vaccination in the City, he supported the amendment which fully met the case a case which they had already had under discussion for six months.

The Hon. Mr. Setalvad said it was entirely at the discretion of the Corporation to give or refuse the grant. He thought the report of the Committee should be accepted.

The Commissioner after detailing the facts that had led up to the proposal to retain the vaccination station at Kalbadevi Road said they were only asked to provide Rs. 1,000. Before they refused that they should consider what they were to receive and instanced how inconvenient it would be for people in time of an epidemic to go to Parel. He thought it was not too much to ask the Corporation to provide the grant.

The Hon. Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtoola said the doing away with the Kalbadevi Depot would cause a good deal of inconvenience, but if it was necessary he contended Government was bound to provide for its upkeep out of the funds at their disposal.

Dr. Viegas considered that in the interests of the city the amendment should be passed as it only provided for a small additional expenditure. He pointed out the benefits the residents of a very congested area would derive from the station being retained at Kalbadevi Road. He intimated he would vote for the amendment.

Dr Sukhia said the Corporation should vote the amount. He said if poor people had to take their children to Parel there would be greater attempt made on their part to avoid vaccination.

Mr. J. Macdonald submitted that the depot should be retained at Kalbadevi and that the Rs. 1,830 should be paid.

The amendment on being put the vote was lost and the original proposition carried.

APPOINTMNT OF WATER ENGINEER.

The Corporation considered the report of the Committee regarding the appointment of a new Deputy Executive Engineer for water works in place of Mr. A. F. Bruce, resigned.

The Hon Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola proposed that the report of the Committee be approved and adopted and that the Commissioner be authorised to enter into an agreement with Mr. A. Sherring as recommended by the Committee.

Sir Bhalchandra Krishna seconded the proposition which was carried.

MUNICIPAL AUDITORS.

The Corporation considered the report of the Committee, appointed by the Corporation to submit the names of the most eligible candidates or candidates for the posts of Municipal Auditors which had become vacant by the resignation of Mr. Gupte. The Committee suggested the names of (1) Mr. Bhukandas B. Desai, Superintendent of the Resource Department in the office of the Accountant-General Bombay; (2) Mr. T. P. Warty, Revenue Head Accountant, Collector's office, Ahmednagar; and (3) Mr. E. W. Fraser, late Acting Deputy Examiner, Military Accounts Department. The Corporation also considered the question of appointing two auditors for the official year 1903-07.

The Hon. Mr. C. H. Setalvad moved that Messrs Hormusji Shapurji Katrak and Bhukandas B. Desai be appointed Auditors, of Municipal Accounts for the official year 1906 07 and their remuneration be fixed at Rs. 5,000 each, and that the report of the Committee be approved and adopted. Mr. Setalvad said the appointment of Municipal Auditors had always been looked upon by the Corporation as a very responsible task, as it was one of the effective checks which the Corporation had on the Municipal Departments. The Corporation could not be too careful in making this appointment. Mr. Setalvad had pointed out that with a view to secure the best men for these posts, the Corporation had made it a practice to appoint a small committee to select the most eligible candidates and to accept its recommendation as far as possible. Mr. Katrak had already been in their employment and given them every satisfaction. Now they had to make a selection from the three candidates recommended by the Committee, and he thought the Corporation would do well to appoint Mr. Desai whose name had been placed first by the Committee.

Dr. N. N. Katrak seconded the proposition.

Sir Bhalchandra Krishna removed an amendment for the appointment of Messrs. Katrak and Warty as Auditors. He said he suggested the name of Mr. Warty instead of Mr. Desais, because he was of opinion that Mr. Warty was decidedly the better man. He remembered the Commissioner having once mentioned in the Committee that Mr. Warty was the best candidate.

The President pointed out that the Commissioner was not present at the meeting of the Committee when it went thoroughly into the question of the qualifications of the different candidates.

Sir Bhalchandra Krishna further contended that Mr. Desai had not done much audit work.

Rao Bahadur Dhakji Kashinathji seconded the amendment.

Mr. F. Harrison testified to the great capabilities of Mr. Desai from personal experience and remarked that in a matter of this kind it would be much better not to discuss the merits of the different candidates in a meeting of the Corporation and to be guided by the report of the Committee.

Dr. N. H. Sukhia was in favour of appointing Mr. Desai but with a remuneration of only Rs. 4000. He moved an amendment to the effect that Mr. Katrak be appointed at a remuneration of Rs. 5,000 and Mr. Desai at a remuneration of Rs. 4000.

Mr. Haji Usuf Haji Ismail seconded the amendment.

On a division both the amendments were lost, and Mr. Setalvad's proposition was carried.

The Corporation adjourned till Thursday next.

ARRIVAL OF R. I. M. S. HARDINGE.

THE Royal Indian Marine Steamer Hardinge under the command of Commander J. S. St. John arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon, which port she left on the 8th instant. She brought Government stores and details consisting of 6 officers 2 warrant officers, 2 women, and 4 children, 109 non-commissioned officers and men, 8 women, and 18 children. The details were transhipped to the transport Plassey for conveyance home. The following are the names of the officers, Lieutenant-Colonel Slanden, Captain Foote, Lieutenants Twiss, King and Milne and Captain Bakett, I. M. S.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

Wedding-bells and Orange Blossoms.

THE CORSELET SKIRT.

THE FASHION IN JET.

LONDON, FEB. 23.

"THIS is, indeed, the dull time for the chroniqueuses des modes, as there is yet hardly any innovation to record, any fashion news to proclaim. Our demi-saison frocks are cut in exactly the same fashion as our winter ones, the only difference being in materials, which are of new designs and lighter colourings. The spring fabrics will be simply exquisite, of a particular softness, and in a wide variety of colours; blue in all shades will be one of the leading favourites of the season, while white will be as immensely popular as it now is in the South. As was predicted in a previous article, the predominant style for spring wear will be the corselet skirt, and this is certainly a most judicious choice when we consider what are the three leading fashions of the moment, and how few women can wear to advantage the princess dress, and how few are the women who dare to wear the Empire frock. This easily explains why, apart from its real becomingness, the corselet skirt enjoys such a favour.

Though, with the exception of the evening frock, it has up to now been exclusively carried out in rather stiff material, velvet, cloth, taffetas, it is sure to look extremely well also in linen; but I doubt if the very thin and soft fabrics, muslin, voile, broderie anglaise or all lace, will lend themselves to the corselet shape with satisfactory result. However, a charming casino dress that I saw was a very good illustration of how to carry out the limpest tissue in the corselet style. The dress was entirely composed of panels of Valenciennes lace over a lining of pale blue taffetas. The panels ended in sharp points reaching to the top of the taffeta corselet, the space between them being ornamented with motifs of lace outlined with tiny blue pleated taffeta ribbon. The chemisette was of Valenciennes, the puffed sleeves being finished with a frill of lace over a frill of pleated taffetas. This model, however, could not very well be copied in muslin, for which the pretti at facon is undeubtedly the blouse bodice and befrilled skirt, but, as we are speaking of the corselet type, a judicious notion of bringing an ordinary blouse and skirt or a last year's frock as close as possible to that style could consist in adding a high draped silk corselet on the gown; with the addition of epaulettes of the same material worn braces-wise over the blouse, the transformation or renovation could be happily contrived.

The tide of sentiment seems to be running high just now, says Ambrosia in "The World." The whole air is full of the sound of wedding bells and the odour of orange-blossoms. Prospective brides and bridegrooms of various nationalities peep from the pages of all our illustrated journals, trousseaux are topics of general conversation, and Here's a church, let's get married, appears to be the motto of the moment. This is certainly no time to rail against the decline of romance, for if people were not interested in love's young dream, and if, as the grumblers would have us believe, hearts and darts and all that sort of thing were as much off as lacey valentines, then why have columns been written about the Royal lovers at Biarritz, the Washington lovers, and the newly-engaged Lady Mary Hamilton and her handsome wooer? At all events, there are marked signs of a revival of romance; the woman with a past has ceased to be first favourite, and it is no longer de rigueur to speak of love-matches with a sneer. Roseate prospects for maidens are opening up this season, and they must gather their matrimonial rosebuds while they may.

Whatever we do, in whatever direction our crazes tend, however much we may pretend to the contrary, we invariably get back, at no long intervals, to some means, new or old, of trying to satisfy our curiosity about the future or of defying ill-luck. It is all very well to pretend that we are growing philosophic and that we live in practical age, but there is no denying the fact that if we can find a new amulet or discover a fresh method of lifting the veil which hides from us what is to come, we rush upon it without hesitation, and despite all our open air exercise, our motoring, our intensely modern way of viewing everything, we seem to grow more and more superstitious every year. At the present time there is a special craving after all manner of 'ologies and 'isms, which, reduced to their lowest terms, simply mean fortune-telling in some form or other Psychologists, telepathists, psychometrists, crystal-gazers, are believed in implicitly, and I am convinced that though A played Bridge a merveille, she would be of secondary importance in a country house were it discovered that B possessed occult powers and could specialise in "psy" something or other. I go so far as to say that even modistes and milliners and motors have less attraction than a new mystery-monger, and while in one direction Plato is to guide us in the paths of philosophy, in another, not a hundred miles distant, we shall be steeping ourselves in every known form of superstition and clairvoyance.

Speaking of the corselet skirt, a pretty and sober example was worn the other night by Mme. Le Bargy in the third act of Le Detour. It was carried out in mouse grey cloth, the chemisette being of grey mousseline de soie, with a plastorn of guipure Grey pampilles of passementerie ornamented the front of the chemisette, while the sleeves, made into two puffs by the adjunction of grey ribbons tying them in the centre, were finished with a frill of lace. Another toilette, also worn by the charming comedienne who is considered one of the best-dressed artistes on the Paris stage, was an exquisite deshabille of pink Liberty satin, covered with mousseline de soie. Two rows of insertion decorated the skirt, the same insertion being disposed around the small square decolletage while over the whole was worn a sleeveless loose tunic of fine lace.

A visit to the florist's atelier is just now an enchantment. Every year seems to bring a greater perfection in the domain of the fleurs artificielles, for it is not of nature's beautiful daughters of which I wish to speak, but of their wonderful sisters which owe their existence to the deft fingers of the pale and clever little ouvrieres in the vast humming workrooms or in their humble mansarde at the very top of some old Paris house. There is plenty of work, and pleasant work it is, for les petites fleuristes this season. We will have a gorgeous moission of flowers on our hats this coming spring and summer—roses of all sizes and of all colours, delicate mimosa, exquisitely fresh lilacs, but chiefly roses, masses of roses. From their birthplace, the worktable of the modern Mimi Pinson, they are sent into every part of the world. Huge bunches, frail garlands, small sprays fragile piquets, they scatter their ephemeral splendour in all the shops of the universe.

Flower-making is an art Parisian par excellence and it has never reached such a close approach to perfection as in these late years. Everything pertaining to that branch of industry has been brought to a finish to a point of realism, which has [illegible] been surpassed. Foliage, leaves, berries, stems, [illegible] and tendrils as well as flowers are the exact [illegible] of mother earth's sweetest gifts, and artificial [illegible] are a decoration which can be used by [illegible] tender hearted of our sex without any [illegible] qualms of conscience. Those who like [illegible] Alexandra, will not adorn themselves with [illegible] and panaches, which cause such unnecessary [illegible] to poor birds, those fleurs vivantes, as they [illegible] rightly have been called, will delight in [illegible] wonderful flowery display that the [illegible] of the season has in store for us. This, of course, [illegible] imply that the reign of feathers will [illegible] new spring models, as on the contrary [illegible] conjunction with flowers, will be very much seen, or preys and long, full amazones being particularly in favour.

There is but little change to chronicle in the fashions of the moment, indeed the situation may be summed up by saying that there are only two ideas at present namely, the corselet skirt and the polonaise. As the weather will probably be cold for some time to come, we shall still remain faithful to cloth dresses even if they be of a lighter order, though we shall substitute trimmings of velvet and taffetas for trimmings of fur. Velvet is holding its own for smart reception dresses, and is likely to continue to do so, while chiffon-velours and panne are the favourite fabrics for the corselet skirt. I foresee all sorts of dangers in store for the corselet skirt when it becomes the property of the backbone of the country, and pursues its retrograde career in cloths of indifferent dye. When it adheres to the lines of the Princess robe, and is made by the expert hand in yielding fabrics of exquisite colours, which give to the natural curves of the figure, the corselet skirt can indeed be a very beautiful fashion. A charming finish is found in a strap of lace brought over the shoulders like braces and worn with the loveliest blouses. Jet, jet and yet more jet! I wonder when we shall tire of it! To all appearances, however it seems likely to stay with us for some time to come especially as it has received an unexpected prolongation of life owing to the Court order of half-mourning.' In Paris its favourite combination is with white Irish crochet. But to return to the polonaise. A pretty example in fine cloth is here shown, skilfully drawn up round the figure in such wise that it breaks the hardness of outline and narrows the back, whereas it lends width to the front. This is in a fine grey-faced cloth, rimmed with a black silk corded trimming, jet buttons, a jet dog-collar on the sleeves, surmounted by a charming hat of jet.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

The provisional recognition of the appointment of Mr. F. E. Hardcastle as Consul for Nicaragua at Bombay, has been confirmed.

The services of Captain J. K. Condon, Assistant Political Agent, Third Grade, Bombay, are replaced at the disposal of Government of Bombay, with effect from the date on which he was relieved of his duties as officiating Assistant to the Resident at Baroda in Okhamandal and Commandant of the Wagher Corps.

Captain H. S. Strong, an Assistant Political Agent, Third Grade, Bombay, is appointed to officiate as Assistant to the Resident at Baroda in the Okhamandal District and Commandant of the Wagher Corps, with effect from the date of assuming charge, vice Captain J. K. Condon and until further orders.

Mr. P. S. V. FitzGerald, C. S. I., Political Agent, Second Grade, on return from leave, to be Agent to the Governor, Kathiawar, vice Lieutenant Colonel W. P. Kennedy retiring.

Mr. T. J. B. Thatcher, District Superintendent of Police, Karachi, is granted, with effect from the date of relief, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to one year and a half.

Lieutenant J. G. Faris, 78th Moplah Rifles, to be Cantonment Magistrate at Ahmednagar, in addition to his Military duties, vice Captain V. de V. Hunt.

Lieutenant Faris is also appointed, to be a Magistrate of the First Class in the Ahmednagar District, and will exercise the powers with which he is invested within the limits of the Military Cantonment of Ahmednagar.

Lieutenant Faris also to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories subject to the administration of the Government of Bombay, other than the Presidency Town of Bombay.

Lieutenant Faris also to be the Judge of the Court of Small Causes within the Cantonment of Ahmednagar.

Mr. P. E. Percival, B A. (Oxon.), Barrister-at-Law, I.C.S., on return to duty, to do duty as Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge, Satara, and to try such cases as the Sessions Judge of Satara may make over to him for trial.

Mr. W. H. Luck, District Superintendent of Police, Poona, on relief, to be Superintendent of Agency Police, Kathiawar, vice Mr. H. Pogson, deceased.

Mr. W. C. Holman to act as District Superintendent of Police, Poona, pending further orders.

Mr. J. B. Jenkins, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Hyderabad, to be Assistant Superintendent of Police, Thar and Parkar, vice Mr. F. C. Griffith proceeding on leave.

Mr. A. H. Gordon, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Sukkur, to do duty as Assistant Superintendent of Police, Hyderabad.

Mr. G. N. Atre, Acting Mamlatdar, taluka Sangola in the district of Sholapur, is appointed to be a Magistrate of the Second Class in that district.

NEW JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

YESTERDAY'S "Government Gazette" gives a revised list of Justices of the Peace within the limits of the own of Bombay. The following are the names of new Justices :—

Abdullabbhai Lalji
Agabeg, Alexander J
Anandji Nanji
Ardeshir Jamshedji Umrigar
Balkrishna Ramchandra Navalkar
Bannerman, Lieut-Colonel W B, I M S
Baptista, Joseph, L C E, B A LLB, Bar-at-Law
Bradbury, J F
Coombs, E E
Dawson, F G R
Ferguson, A F
Fitzgibbon, P J, M Inst. C E
Greany, Surgeon-General J P, M D, I M S
Grennan, E H
Haig Brown, W A
Hari Sitaram Dikshit, The Hon'ble Mr B A, LL B
Harrison Frank
Hatch, G W, I C S
Hayward, M H W, L L B, (Cantab), I C S
Hewett, B H
Hojel Major J G, I M S
Hormusji Limjibhai Batliwalla
Howard W H K
Johnston, H S
Kazi Sharif Muhammad Saleh bin Abdul Latif Londay
Mackenzie, G S
Manekchand Hirachand
Meherali, Muhammad Fakira
Meikle, H G W
Monie, P W, B A, (Oxon), I C S
Monteath, G, B A, (Cantab) I C S
Monteath, J, B A, (Cantab) I C S
Monteath, R G
Moss, Major Allan
Muir-Mackenzie, The Hon'ble Mr J W P, C S I, M R A C, I C S
Pheroz Karsetji Setna B A
Proes, E M, A M Inst C E
Quin, H O, I C S
Ragunath Sadashiv Jayakar
Rodrigues, Joseph F
Saleh Muhammad Dharamsi
Souter, W L B
Suleman Kasim Haji Mitha
Trevor, A Hill, The Hon'ble
Wamanrao Nana Moroba
Watson, E Y
Wilson, P R
Wise, Arthur W
Wright A L
Wright, Lieut-Colonel E. L

A MAGISTRATE'S DECISION UPHELD.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, sitting on the Appellate Side of the Bombay High Court, have disposed of an appeal of one Umerkhan Dhondi, who was convicted by Mr. Kursondas Chabildas, third Presidency Magistrate, of voluntarily causing hurt by a dangerous weapon and was sentenced to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment.

It appeared that one Teheralli, a dealer in paint, who kept his shop in Sutar Chawl and slept in a loft over the shop, woke up about midnight on the 31st January last in consequence of some tiles and mortar falling from the roof of the loft on some empty tins in the room in which he was sleeping. On his giving information to the police, three policemen went to the complainant's room. One of them saw the hand of a man protruding from a hole in the roof. Another climbed up a water pipe, and gave certain information. The accused thereupon climbed up the water pipe of a four-storeyed house at the back of Teheralli's shop. He slipped while climbing up and fell down. He again climbed up, and catching hold of the branch of a Peepul tree, jumped into the balcony of the third storey. The policemen pursued him and saw him coming down with a knife in his hand. One Shivram, who barred his way, received a wound on his fore-arm. Accused next struck one of the policemen a blow on his arm and thumb. The magistrate said accused was a most desperate character and sentenced him to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment.

Their lordships, on a consideration of the evidence dismissed the appeal.

ABKARI POLICY IN SURAT DISTRICT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Unlike country liquor, toddy is a wholesome drink, and being nourishing in quality serves the purpose of food to poor persons. It is not unusual to see in the Mofussil many a poor person partaking of bread and toddy as his food when freshly drawn, toddy has little or no alcohol, and when a new earthen pot is attached to the tree and a little extra care taken in cleaning and tapping the tree, the juice produced is what we call "Nira," and in its natural state very much resembles sugarcane juice, being very sweet and devoid of any intoxicating element in it. In Surat the rights for selling toddy at different shops in the city and in the district, are put to public auction every year and the highest bidders are given the licenses for its retail sale. The Government, not only levies large fees for licenses for selling toddy at shops, but also charges duty and fee for every date or palm tree tapped, so there are three distinct taxes to be paid if a man is willing to take a license for selling toddy. First, he has to pay the license fee for the toddy shops; secondly, he has to pay a fee for every tree tapped by him for producing toddy; and thirdly a duty on the trees tapped is demanded, for what earthly object I cannot well make out. In some Talukas the fee per date tree is fixed at Re. 1, or Rs 3, or Rs. 5; while duty on the same trees is levied at the rate of Rs. 40 or Rs. 80 per 100 trees tapped. The license holder for selling toddy gives the highest fixed sum obtained in public auction for his selling rights, besides this, he gives his fee for the trees that he is going to tap, and again why he is made to pay another sum as "duty" is a paradox, which I and some officers whom I have consulted cannot solve. Any how, the burden of these taxes is very heavy on the poor toddy seller. Moreover, as the toddy shops are put to public auction every year, there is much competition in bidding, and many vendors become ruined in the business. To illustrate this fact I shall quote one example only. The toddy shop of Borwack in Chikhlee Taluka used to fetch a license fee of Rs. 175 per season, in past years. This year, on account of the competition of a rival bidder, the shop went in for Rs. 510. As the shop-keeper has to produce toddy from trees after paying duty and fee on them he has to pay an additional sum for it. For say, Rs. 600 or 700 paid to the Government, this license holder is not likely to sell toddy to make up this amount. Counting trees tappers' wages and seller's salaries, the poor man is very likely to lose about Rs. 300 to Rs. 400 in the transaction. Of course, the Government is not to be blamed for this. The bidder has to suffer for his impudence in bidding for a shop for Rs. 500, which in past years had never fetched more than Rs. 175. But the most important thing to be considered in such cases is the inducement that it offers to the sellers to adulterate toddy with water or other inferior stuffs. Thus the ryot who drinks toddy has to suffer for this excessive, and in some cases, foolish competition. The competition is great at the time of bidding, as anybody who can afford to give a security deposit can bid at the auction, I think it will be to the advantage of the poor ryot, and Government itself, to lease the toddy shops for the life time of the license holder, or at least for a period of 5 years. Besides this, those only should be allowed to bid, who are competent in the business, or who have date trees of their own and possess such other qualifications.

The second point on which I wish to touch is that the liquor Abkari contractors of the Surat and other districts are given full remissions, when the sales in country liquor fall below the fixed limit. Some such concessions should be made to the poor toddy shop keepers of Surat and district, under exceptional circumstances. We all know that the rainfall of last year was very insufficient. On account of the scarcity of rains, the date trees do not yield this year, as much juice as in previous years. This is no random assertion, but can be verified from the books of all toddy shop keepers, as by law they are bound to keep correct accounts of the receipts and sales of toddy. According to my calculation the yield of juice per tree is about 30 p. c. less than in previous years and so the expected sales of toddy when the license holders bid for them last season has not been realised, as usual. For this deficiency in the sales, I think the Government should give the toddy sellers as much concession as his rich coworker, the liquor Abkari contractor of the district. A remission of 30 p. c. on the fee and duty of trees tapped this year will meet the case easily. I cannot understand why the seller of liquor is given concession for the short sale of liquor in his district, while the sellers of toddy in the same district are not given the same concession for their short sales. Of course, if the short sale is effected by the stupidity or the negligence of the license holder, it is another thing. But for causes over which he has no control, he must be given the same relief as the more fortunate liquor contractor.

The third point on which I propose to touch is the stringency of the Abkari regulation, as it is in force at present. It will be news to many of your readers to learn that toddy tappers, who draw a monthly salary ranging from Rs. 4 to 8 should be perfect gentlemen! Every toddy tree tapper is required to produce a certificate from the Patel of his village saying that he is of a good moral character and has never been fined or sent to imprisonment. If the Patel, for reasons of his own, certifies that the person concerned has no good moral character, he is debarred from being granted a license to tap trees. Does Government expect that all the toddy tree tappers, who hardly earn enough to maintain themselves, should bear an unblemished character, should be above suspicion as Caesar's wife, and that their infallibility should be attested by such a low paid servant as the village Patel. The crux of the position is this; if a man, even though he may have been fined for some local offence, or stigmatised as of doubtful moral character, can mix in high societies and be dubbed as an ordinary "gentleman" every where, he will not be permitted to tap toddy trees, if he is minded to earn his livelihood thereby. Government has fixed the moral-character standard of the toddy tappers and the toddy sellers very high, thereby debarring many poor persons from earning their livelihood. This indeed, is very harsh for this poor class of people. Government has only to see whether the trees for which the fee and the duty has been paid are tapped. If some extra trees for which no fees have been paid are tapped, or if toddy is sold at the trees and not at the shops, it is the look out of the Abkari Inspector to detect such crimes. Every Taluka has an Inspector and some sepoys under him and if illicit tapping or selling is going on, it must be the Inspector's duty to detect it, and to bring the offenders to justice. From my personal knowledge I can say that cases of illicit tapping and selling toddy are very rare, in some Talukas not a single case of this nature taking place during the whole year. I think, in justice to the poor toddy tappers, this production of certificate of good moral character should be dispensed with in future.

There is another injustice to the shop keepers to which I shall refer in short, and conclude my letter. After the license holder has obtained his license to sell toddy, he has to pay duty and fee for the trees that he has to tap. As all the trees are not tapped at once, the license holder taps the trees in four or five instalments. Supposing he has to tap 1000 trees during the season, he taps 200 trees in September, 200 in November, 200 in January following, 200 in March and 200 in May. Now, all these trees are to be tapped for his one shop. When he presents his duty and fee for 200 trees in September, he is required to sign a stamped agreement saying that he will conform to the rules and regulations of the Abkari Act, while tapping the trees. Again when he applies for the license of another lot of 200 trees in November he is made to sign another agreement to the same effect. And so on for all the subsequent lots. This is sheer waste of time and money to the license holder, as for every lot he has to pay eight annas for stamps and to personally attend the Taluka Kutchery for signature. One single agreement made at the time of issuing the first license, specifying therein that the holder undertakes to conform to the rules and regulations of the Abkari Act, in regard to the first lot of trees to be tapped as well as for any other trees that he may tap thereafter during the season will serve the purpose very well and save a lot of unnecessary trouble to the poor license holders.—Yours etc.

BONUM.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 15TH MARCH.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been generally small and irregular.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—The variations of maximum show a defect of 5° to 3° at Sirsa, Agra, Karachi, Rajkot, Veraval, Neemuch, Indore, Jubbulpore and Hoshangabad and those of minimum a defect of 5° to 6° at Karwar and Jhansi. The highest temperature in the shade was 102° at Cuddapah and the lowest 51° at Bushire.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast in most places to the north of Latitude 17°.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather continues fine with cloudy sky over Gujarat and a portion of the Bombay Presidency.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

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THE INDIAN ARMY AND A KNELLER HALL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is proposed, in deference to a very generally expressed wish to throw open the School of Music at Bolarum, to all Native Regiments in India. This school, hitherto known as "The Hyderabad Contingent School of Music" was instituted some 27 years ago, by General Sir Thomas Wright, K.C.B., in order to give instruction to Band Havildars and Naicks of the late Hyderabad Contingent Infantry Regiments, in the Theory of Music. Instrumentation, and the art of conducting, as well as to provide a means for the better training of individual bandsmen who showed any special aptitude. The management of the school is in the hands of a Committee, composed of three Commanding Officers and an Honorary Secretary a Musical Director being the executive head. The present Musical Director is Herr Otto Schmidt, who studied music for two years at the Conservatoire at Cologne, and for four years at the Royal Conservatoire at Leipsic, where he obtained the highest diploma with 'honours,' and for some time conducted the orchestra at Leipsic. Herr Schmidt was appointed to the school in 1899, in succession to Herr Buchner, the present Conductor of the Viceroy's Band, whose predecessor was Herr Sommer, who went direct from Bolarum to take charge of the famous R. E Band at Chatham which appointment he has only quite recently resigned. It will thus be seen that the school is, and always has been, in charge of thoroughly capable men, and that no pains have been spared to ensure its fulfilling the objects for which it was founded. In India there is no institution, similar to that of Kneller Hall in England, where Band Havildars can obtain instruction in the Theory of Music, etc, and it is in order to supply this want to a certain extent, that the present suggestion is put forward. The school is supported entirely by the voluntary subscriptions of Regiments which, till lately, constituted the Hyderabad Contingent and receives no assistance of any kind whatsoever from the State, so that it must be clearly understood that fees will have to be charged, but it is contemplated that the instruction imparted will be of such high standard, that all those who satisfactorily pass the final examination before leaving the school, will be fully qualified, not only to lead, but also to instruct their Regimental Bands. In this way it is hoped that the benefits conferred will be of a permanent nature, whereas by the system, now in vogue in many regiments, of temporarily engaging the services of European Bandmasters, at considerable expense, to conduct their bands, the improvement only lasts for such time as the bands actually remain under their charge; and it only stands to reason that this must be the case, for it would be impossible for any man to impart instruction to Band Havildars, in the elements of Theory, Instrumentation and the Art of Conducting, in addition to paying personal attention to the playing of individual performers and the leading of the Band, in the few hours a day that he can devote to the work. At Kneller Hall the full course extends over a period of three years, but it is thought that very substantial benefits may be conferred and satisfactory results obtained, after one year's study at the Bolarum School, and should Commanding Officers decide to avail themselves of the opportunity now offered they should be prepared to allow their men to remain at the school for that period. For the present at any rate the number of pupils must be limited. There will be two classes each year commencing on dates to be specified later, and the full course will extend for not less than 12 months, but at the end of each quarter an examination will be held by the Director, and all those students, who are not considered as likely to become efficient instructors will be sent back to their regiments. Students at the school will have the advantage of gaining experience in conducting a 1st Class String band of over 40 performers as well as the ordinary Military Band. For terms and any further particulars application should be made as early as possible, to the Honorary Secretary, School of Music, Bolarum.—Yours, &c.

E. F. H. McSWINEY COLONEL,
President String Band Committee.

PHILOSOPHY AND BUSINESS.

FREE THOUGHTS ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS is the title of a pamphlet published by Mr. Joseph Selwyn (Examiner Press) for one rupee and dedicated to Mr. S. H. O. Hutchinson Director General of Telegraphs in India. Some of the contents of this little book have been delivered in lecture form at one or other of the literary institutions of this city. They are on five subjects, "Nature and Nurture", "Education as the Panacea of Society" "Heredity," "Happiness" and "The Greatness and Littleness of Man!" The writer has read much on heredity and the different theories held in regard to the transmission of qualities, good and bad from parents to children, on education and the extent to which it may modify nature and he discourses freely on those topics. In regard to the former, he quotes many facts in support of the inevitability of children inheriting the character of parents, such as that of a man named Jukes, who was unfortunate or wicked enough to be a drunkard and among whose descendants in the space of seventy-five years were found 290 wicked people, and 243 invalids. He certainly appears to have had a persistent evil influence. On the other hand he cheers his readers by showing that talent seems to be inherited as in the case of Lord Bacon, Chancellor of England, whose parents and collateral relations were nearly all remarkably gifted people. In the Sheridan family wit, prodigality, gambling and wildness were fairly general. Science was steadily at home in the Herschell connection. It is a melancholy fact that a tendency to thieving is often a persistent trait, so is alcoholism. Mr. Selwyn borrows from Dr. Despine the statistics of one family whose head was a thief. All his descendants to the second generation distinguished themselves as thieves or robbers. In the Essay on Hapiness Mr. Carnegie is quoted to prove that unbounded wealth does not mean happiness by any means. This is sufficiently obvious but in all such lectures, it is the obvious that is most generally dwelt on; so is it in these for there is nothing more difficult than to throw on the inculcation of great abstract truths new and brilliant light. It it something to try to impress on others the necessity for aiming at an ideal.

THE INCORPORATED ACCOUNTANTS' YEAR-BOOK for 1905-06 (4 King Street, Cheapside London E. C.) comprises a list of members, alphabetically and topographically arranged, the articles and bye-laws of the Society, samples of examination papers preliminary, intermediate and final in different subjects as given in June and December 1904 a catalogue of the Library belonging to the Society. In the list of Members (Fellows and Associates) London has the largest number, 535, Manchester and Johannesburg come next with 102 each, Birmingham has 76, Liverpool 69, Leeds 63, Glasgow and Melbourne 44 each, and Sheffield 42; few other towns of the Empire have more than ten incorporated accountants of this Society among their citizens. Bombay has three, and Calcutta six. The balance sheet shows that the finances of the Society are in a flourishing condition, the sum at the credit side being £6,105-11-11.

WE have received a supplementary list of books in the Library of Congress, Washington, being the publications on RAILROADS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, comprising volumes of general information, others on Continental Europe; on international freight agreement, the official reports and books on the Railways in Great Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Austria-Hungary, and Russia. The purpose of this list, which has been compiled by Mr. A. P. C. Griffin, Chief Bibliographer of the Library of Congress, is to prodvide the means of ascertaining the main provisions of the systems of railroad administration in the several countries of Europe and the full and explanatory titles given of the railway books in the Library leaves little information to be sought for outside the shelves. A considerable number of railway periodicals are currently received in the Congress Library. Subject and Authors' indices double the utility of this list.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

It is the ancient practice of each House of Parliament to carry the first reading of a bill before it proceeds to the consideration of the King's Speech. The incident escapes the attention of most of the Lords and Commons, so quietly does it take place, and probably its significance is lost to some of those who may happen to notice it. Yet it is one of a high constitutional import, its simple character notwithstanding. It is meant to assert the privilege of Parliament to debate matters other than those set forth as the causes of summons in the Speech from the Throne. The curious part of the matter is that neither of these bills—having thus fulfilled a high constitutional function—is ever heard of again during the Session!

Another notable London house has just been pulled down. This time it is 33, Foley-street, Oxford-street where Landseer was born and lived for the first twenty-three years of his life, with his father and brother and Mr. Henry Landseer, his uncle. The work of demolishing the house, which was recently occupied by a laundry company, has just been completed, and modern business premises are about to be built in its place. At the time of Landseer's birth, Foley-street was known as Queen Annestreet East, but it received its present designation a few years later. It was in this house that, at the age of thirteen, Landseer painted his first Academy picture which, when exhibited, was labelled Master Edwin Landseer, 33, Foley-street. Landseer moved from Foley-street in 1825 to the well-known house in St. John's Wood-road (almost facing Lord's) which was his home for the rest of his life. Residence under the parental roof had become irksome under the over-vigilant superintendence of a father who himself negotiated the sale of his son's pictures and continued to treat the man of three-and-twenty as though still in his teens. The St. John's Wood-road house, the house which, of all others in London belonging to artists, has received the greatest number of distinguished visitors, always excepting that of Sir Joshua Reynolds in Leicester-square, has gone too—pulled down some years ago to make way for a block of workmen's dwellings.

Ought not the little note upon the penalty inflicted upon Messrs. Coats, in connection with their cotton factory in Poland, to open the eyes of the British public to the real cause of the present boom in certain trades, especially the cotton trade, asks a correspondent, is it not wholly due to the war, plus the breakdown of Russian manufacturing! Russia has become a great manufacturing country, and she has lately been taking our trade, especially in Persia. Go to such towns as Lodz, and Bialystok, and see immense factories of 10,000, 8,000, and 6,000 hands towns with a population of 300,000 to 400,000, and a wholly manufacturing population! Japan poured her orders into England during the war. Bradford was occupied with them, and now Russia's breakdown has made us busy. But let Russia get to full work again and block us with her tariffs, and we shall not retain these orders. We owe this partial trade boom not to our trade system, but to war and revolution.

The belle of a Bermuda ball, as reported by the latest mail from that island, appeared recently in a ravishing creation of some 30,000 postage stamps. These were arranged upon a calico foundation in charming designs. The front of the corsage was in the from of an eagle depicted in brown Colombian stamps clutching a globe formed of rare blue stamps in its claws. At each side was an American flag, with its stars and stripes, and at the back appeared an heraldic shield of foreign stamps with a portait in the centre. So many stamps would no doubt import a peculiar cachet of their own to the designing fair one.

The town council of Munich has determined to place a tablet of commemoration upon the house in that city once inhabited by the poet Heinrich Heine. All honour to Munich for the thought, especially at a time when German cities seem wrangling to dishonour one of their finest genniuses.

Four years ago a dozen British ships went to San Francisco seeking freight. But the French bounty earners had driven rates down, and owners in London and Liverpool scorned the quotations made them. So ship after ship was towed over to Sausalito there to lie and swing to the tide till freights rose. But freights din't rise. Gradually the fleet lost member after member, and at last only the Silberhorn and the Cawdor were left. Their owners were obdurate. Enterprising advertisers offered to lease the spaces on the ships rusty sides, and contractors proposed to turn the vessels into hotels. The exiled skippers only remained and still the freights did not go up. Six weeks ago the Silberhorn went Her weedy cable clanked in from muddy waters, Her forecastle again resounded to the tramp of booted feet. Now only the Cawdor remains of all that sleeping fleet gently noising to her deep-imbedded anchor her captain pacing his vacant quarter-deck 'the cook smoking in his solitary galley—waiting for freights to go up

A good story is told by a cyclist, and the Korea Daily News vouches for the fact that he is willing to take his oath that every word is the truth. He hung his bicycle from the ceiling of his cellar, and not far from a swing shelf on which food was kept. A mouse jumped from the shelf upon the tyre of the front wheel, evidently thereby hoping to reach the floor. The wheel started, and mousie naturally ran to the highest part of it. It was able to stay on top of the tyre, but couldn't get enough foothold to jump to the wall. When found next morning the mousie was very much exhausted, though still running. The cyclometer showed that he had run eighty-three miles.

Assize trumpeters, like men of other callings, have their records of which they have good reason to be proud. The most famous of them, says the Liverpool Post, has probably been Harry Rowe, of Nottingham. Rowe was born in 1723, and was for a time trumpeter in the Duke of Kingston's Light Horse, in which capacity he took part in the fight at Culloden. After his military service was over Rowe settled in York, and had the good fortune to be chosen as trumpeter to the High Sheriff of that country, in which office he served for forty years. When he died, in 1800, the following was his epitaph:—Here lies the body of Harry Rowe, who for the space of forty years, held the office of Chief Trumpeter to the High Sheriffs of Yorkshire. During his whole lifetime he was never known to give a blast that tended to the dishonour of his King and his country, his favourite airs being God Save the King and Rule, Britannia.

The official fanfaronade that attends an opening of Parliament, says Mr. Alfred Kinnear in the Pall Mall Magazine, is just as it was under good Queen Bess. It has always been the custom of the Chair to abase himself before the sovereign in person or through commission, which ceremonial of speech and person, Bacon saw fit to declare, befitteth his quality exactly. Nay, a Speaker-elect, Mr. Yelverton, was known to dwell upon his unfitness for the chair. Of course the House knew that this modesty lay but skin deep, and it cheered, and the thing was done. Then we are told the Speakerdesignate rising, delivered himself thuswise to his delighted sovereign Elizabeth. Your Speaker ought to be a man big and comely, stately and well spoken, his voice great, his carriage majestical, his nature haughty, and his purse plentiful. But contrarily the stature of my body is small, myself not so well spoken, my voice low, my carriage of the common, my nature soft and bashful, my purse thin, light, and never plentiful. But the right honourable gentleman was immediately installed in the ancient seat of Speakers. And therein ended the parable of this modest man, who became the Eyes and Ears of the House of Commons.

With the singular habit of snuff-taking renewing its popularity in this country it is curious to reflect that it has been a confirmed habit among savage tribes for ages past. In South Africa it is used amongst Swazis, Basutos, and Matabeles. Every Zulu to-day, even in towns, carries a little square box suspended round his neck by a piece of string or gut, and the snuff-spoon (for they do not indulge in the homely pinch), carved out of sheep's bone, often ornamented by intricate geometrical designs, and for convenience (!) carried hanging downward through a slit in the lobe of the ear. The Zulu regards the lobe of his ear as a useful receptacle for various small articles he meets with. Umfaan, or house-boy, universally met with in Natal, has a penchant for safety-pins, which have to be carefully hidden from his sharp eyes; even then he is usually to be seen, after going through the rooms, with a string of these pins suspended from each ear until they reach his shoulder.

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SUIT AGAINST A MILL COMPANY.

YESTERDAY in the High Court, the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar delivered judgment in the suit filed by Bai Gangabai, widow of one Gordhandas Sunderdas, late of the firm of Mulji Jetha and Company, agents of several joint-stock companies, and by others, against the Madras United Spinning and Weaving Company, its Directors, and Bhagubhai Dayabhai the last of whom sued as a shareholder of the Company, but also claimed to be one of its Directors. With Gangabai were three other plaintiffs, namely, Jamshedji C. Patel, Lalji Naranji, and Chaturbhuj Morarji, who were also described as Executors of the deceased Gordhandas. The suit had been brought to declare three amendments passed at a meeting of the above Company, on 16th November last, to be illegal, and for restraining the defendants from acting upon the same. Two of the amendments affected the firm of Mulji Jetha, the Secretaries, Treasurers, and Agents of the Company. It was declared in the amendments that the agency of this mill company had ceased to exist in the firm, because there was no agreement between the Company and the firm, in respect of the agency-business; and because all the members of the firm were dead. By the third amendment Bhagubhai Dayabhai was elected a Director. These amendments had been assailed on the following grounds: (1) There was no previous notice of the first two amendments, as required by the articles of Association; (2) as to one of these amendments also as to the third amendment, 44 votes tendered by one of the plaintiff, were wrongly rejected by the second defendant, Lakhmidas Valji, as the Chairman of the meeting; (3) Lakhmidas procured the passing of all the amendments by using proxies, which had not been given for the purposes of this general meeting, but which he had caused to be filled up for this meeting. Plaintiffs further charged Lakhmidas with using his position as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the purpose of thwarting the just rights of the plaintiffs, because he had failed in his attempt to be readmitted as a partner in the firm of Mulji Jetha, after his retirement from it in 1901; on various pretexts he had delayed the transfer of the 44 shares in the name of the plaintiffs. After speaking on the above particulars, the learned Judge recited the history of the firm of Mulji Jetha, who, he said, were Secretaries, Treasurers, and Agents of the mill Company since its formation, and one of whose partners in the firm, was the deceased Gordhandas. Under the deed of partnership of the firm, Gordhandas's interest alone was not to cease like that of others; there was a provision in it empowering him, to appoint a partner to take his place in the firm on his death. Thwarted by the Directors in respect of the transfer of the 44 shares, the plaintiffs sought redress from the Court, and the matter came on before the learned Chief Justice in Chambers. Subsequently, a consent-order was obtained, and the shares were transferred. Said Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, while all this was going on, the second defendant was working to undermine the plaintiffs and through them, the firm of Mulji in another direction. He collected proxies through brokers, armed with them, he was in readiness, to use them at some meeting not then thought of. Then came the sixth defendant Bhagubhai and his brother Dharamchand. The former was a pleader of Surat, who had stated that legal business having declined there, he had taken to the mercantile line and to speculating in shares. Last year, he and his brother became enrolled in the Company's list of shareholders. He formed the intention of litigating the point as to the existence of the firm of Mulji, their right to agency business, and commission in the mill company. In June, he collected proxies for the propose at Surat. In July, he wrote to the Directors; in August, he circulated a printed notice signed by himself and some other shareholders, denying the existence of Mulji's firm and alleging there was no agreement between it and the mill company. Such was the state of things before the meeting of 16th November. The report and the accounts for the year 1904 showed an item of Rs. 47,052 "paid as usual to the firm of Messrs. Mulji Jetha and Co., as their commission for the year." It was pointed out on the report that one of the directors, the Chairman, meaning the second defendant, was of opinion that the firm were not entitled to claim the sum now as they were no longer the agents and the firm of Mulji Jetha had ceased to exist. Two of the Directors held that until final steps were taken in the matter, the firm was entitled to the commission. Despite the advice of the Company's Solicitor, Mr. Pestanji Kavasji who was present at the meeting, the second defendant put the amendment about the agency business, and the commission, before the meeting. Having regard to the 58th clause of the articles, it was out of order. Before the votes were taken, a protest was handed in. On a show of hands, the second defendant declared the amendment carried. Poll was demanded. When it was taken, the votes relating to the 44 shares were rejected on the ground that they did not fulfil the requirements of Clause 71 of the articles. The Chairman declared the result of the poll to be: 56 for, and 32 against the amendment. After discussing further the proceedings in the meeting, also the legal aspects of the case, The learned Judge declared the amendments and resolutions regarding the non-existence of the firm of Mulji Jetha and Company as Secretaries, Treasurers, and Agents of the Madras Mills, also the appointment of Bhagubhai as a Director, to be invalid and illegal; and he restrained the defendants from acting on them. The rectification of the register of the Company, prayed for in the plaint, having been abandoned during the proceedings in the case was disallowed. Question of costs was reserved.

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A TRUE sportsman does not confine his enthusiasm to one kind of sport alone. If he hunts, he fishes and he shoots as well. Mr. Frank Curzon, busy as he is with his many theatrical enterprises, finds time to keep on intimate terms with saddle, rod, and gun—especially saddle; and so in his business (for we have all heard of the practical affinity between work and play) he is by no means content with jogging alone in one groove and pursuing and mastering the art of producing but one order of entertainment. Mr. Curzon, the sportsman, sits in his office in the heart of the West-end of London, and pulls many and various strings. He has given us a variety of stage amusement almost as extensive as that suggested by Polonius in his announcement to Hamlet of the arrival of the best actors in the world. And such is the soundness of his judgment, as exercised in the different departments of the theatrical factory, that he rarely has a failure.

Of a strikingly new order of entertainment is Mr. Frank Curzon's latest success at the Criterion, The Little Stranger. It is a production most eloquently characteristic of the sportsman—of the man who has the energy and the pluck to get off the beated track and to go a hunting by himself. And he deserves the novelty he has caught, it is the reward of plucky enterprise. For months upon months the Criterion Theatre must echo with the opplause and laughter provided by the extraordinary performance of Master Edward Garratt in Mr. Michael Morton's delightfully humorous and original farce on the doctrins of transmigration. To cure his young wife of a mania for soul hunting, and to stop her from everlastingly turning their drawing-room into a meeting-place for cranks, Dick Allenby, aided by a friend, determines that she shall have a manifestation with a vengeance. Discovering that their baby bears a curious resemblance to a freak at the Hall of Illusions called Tom Pennyman, a horibly fast little cad (to quote Gilbert's Precocious Baby), who, although an infant in appearance, is in age and and habits a young man. So Dick hides the real baby away, and, putting Tom Pennyman into a muslin frock and a blue sash, causes him to be introduced at his wife's dance as their own child suffering from the encum brance of a giddy old gentleman's soul,

Master Edward Garratt is not, of course the infant he looks. As to his real age I am half pledged to secrecy so (again to quote Gilbert, but not his Precocious Baby.)

No man of finely-pointed sence
Would violate a confidence;
And sha'l I go
And do it? NO!

Edward Garratt this wonderful man-baby, is just what age my readers like to guess him to be. Enough that he makes a remarkably good-looking baby, that he is a first-rate comediam, that he keeps the house in screams of laughter by calling for champagne with his roast beef and Yorkshire prigging his father's cigarettes drinking his grandfather's whisky and saucing his nurse and that he does not, like the other horribly fast little cad, who.

Early determined to marry and wive,
I or better or worse,
With his elderly nurse,

die on enfeebled old dotard at five. He is restored to his Hall of Illusions the real baby is reinstanted in the Allenby household Mrs, Dick desires no more to meddle with the sport of soul-hunting and so ends one of the funniest farces London has seen for many many years. One might safely book seats for The Little Stranger for next Christmas.

I DON'T belive I have ever seen an American drama of modern life which has not, from the rise to the fall of the curtain, depended for its very existence upon the rise and the fall of stocks. The heroine's father or brother has gone almost to the threshold of the goal through trying to save the family fortunes by speculating with other people's money, and has been saved in the nick of time from the discomforts of a cell by some remarkable financial operation performed in a wild hurry at Wall Street by the heroine's lover, a snubbed and semi-rejected rough diamond. Or a villain inadvertently ruins himself instead of the hero while doing curious sums at Wall Street with corn or lamp-oil or tramways. Or a millionaire dies of heart disease on the floor beside the office tape-machine, because he thinks the market has gone hopelessly against him, while as a matter of fact the apparatus is grimly ticking out upon his lifeless body a curly and endless strip of Wall Street information which doubles his fortune at every tenth beat of the machinery's feverish pulse. And in A Gilded Foot at the Shaftesbury we have again the story of the almighty dollar.

It is impossible to say at this time of day what sort of career A Gilded Fool is in for. The ways of the theatrical would are peculiar, and this desperately American drama of dollars may—as I am sure I hope it will—enjoy a long and prosperous run. But it may pretty safely be declared that the credit for whatever measure of success it has will belong almost entirely to the finished acting of Mr. Nat C. Goodvin in the part of Chauncey Short, the gilded fool who is not (as it turns out at the end of the play) such a fool as he's gilded. Mr. Goodvin is one of the easiest actors that ever trod the boards. No sea is too rough for him to swim to shore with smooth and serenely comfortable strokes, whatever the obstacles the author puts in his way. he gets there every time. He is ready and undismayed even when Mr. Henry Guy Carleton, the writer of the play, requires that he shall walk about the stage with a red rose, into whose petals he has been asked to look for his beloved's answer to a proposal of marriagel

This for Nat Goodwin, the comedian But he passes through the ordeal as if it were no ordeal at all, and his treatment of the situation is so alive with tactfulness that its absurdity does not dawn upon you until the actor has made his exit. To the man who tries to rob him of his fortune, but fails in the attempt, Chauncey Short, in a soft moment, says, forgivingly: Some men sin through weakness, others through ambition. I'm going to give you the benefit of the doubt. But Nat Goodwin has such a way with him that you accept the statement with a perfectly good grace; and it is not until you think it over, while you are reaching for your hat and coat, that you begin to wonder on which side the lies extenating circumstance that appeals so powerfully to the temperament of Chauncey Short—on the side of weakness or on the side of ambition?

The heroine of "A Gilded Fool" is played very prettily and very naturally by Miss Alexandra Carlisle. The young actress is probably the nearest thing to the model of a Charles Dana Gibson girl London has yet seen. She is not the cheeky Gibson girl with the tilted nose and the overhanging walk—it might, by the way, be called the walk on the cantilever principle—but the soft and dreamy and intellectual-looking Gibson girl a sample in delicate line on ivory, a living reproduction of the fasionable American's finest and most thoughtful work. In one of his pictures—it may possibly be easy to recall—there is the girl wife of an ancient Midas dreaming of love in a cottage, and the background visionillustrating her dreamdepicts a happy young mother—her imagined self-looking on, in the quaint old garden of a quaint old cottage, at the gambols of her little child and her handsome and sturdy young husband. It is the thoughtful face of this poor dreamer that Miss Alexandra Carlisle recalls. On the first night of "A Gilded Fool" she made a very distinct impression upon the audience with her refined prettiness and her graceful manners—to say nothing of her firm and easy acting in a part perilously overcharged with extravagant sentimentalities. And—here is the surprise of the thing—I am told that Mr. Nat Goodwin discovered Miss Carlisle among the Gibson Girls of The Catch of the Season at the Vaudeville! For aught one knows the young lady may have had some experience of prominent parts in her own country; but it is certainly a little amazing to find a Gibson Girl of musical comedy suddenly playing the character—and playing it exceedingly well—of a a heroine of comedy detached from the composer, the lyric, and the additional number!

It is, or it should be, the constant effort of the journalist to be accurate in his public statements, and it is usually a great blow to him when he is found out in a mistake, and desired to publish his sin to the world at large. But there are instance where the experience of contradicting one's own words is a completely delightful one, and I am readily and cheerfully dealing now with a case in point. Such was my real and unaffected joy, some few days ago, at finding within the St. James's Theatre, a play thoroughly suited to the traditions of the house and that talents of its host, that in congratulating Mr. George Alexander upon the success of Mr. Pinero's His house in Order I allowed myself to trespass upon the delicate ground of comparison—even to the extent of suggesting that Mr. George Alexander had experienced a host of costly failures, notably "A Garden, of Lies. John Chilcote M.P., and A Man of the Moment. I find now, alike to my regret and my delight, that I was wrong. In a courteous letter which is characteristic of the man, Mr. George Alexander asks me to dismiss from my mind, the idea that the Spirit of Bad Luck, went on a prolonged visit to the St. Jame's during Mr. Alexander's season begining September, 1904, and ending July, 1905. So far from this being the case Mr. Alexander's communication, backed up by one from his accountants, shows that this season and the last ten seasons have all resulted in substantial profit. I am most sincerely pleased to hear it—as well as to have Mr. Alexander's thanks for my enthusiastic reference to his present production.

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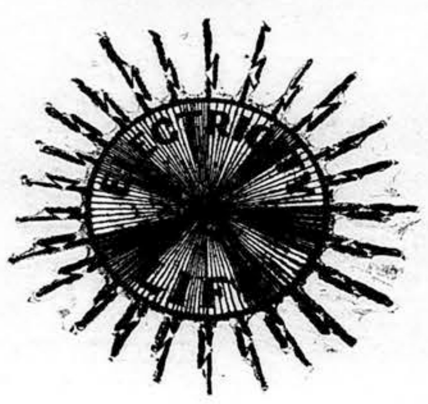

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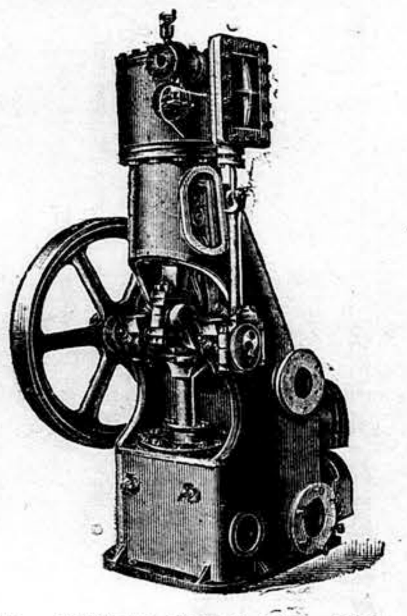

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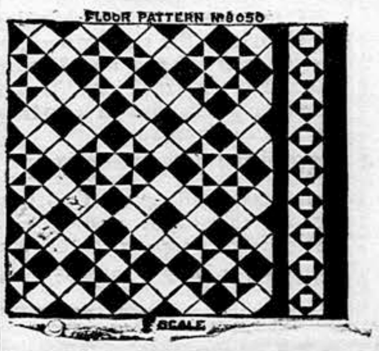

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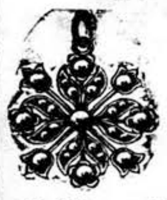

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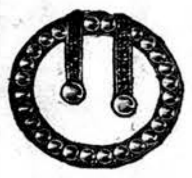

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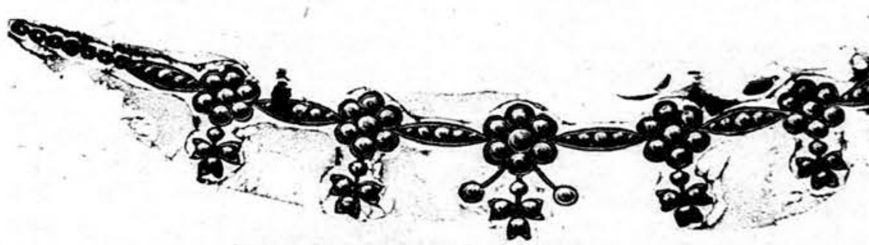

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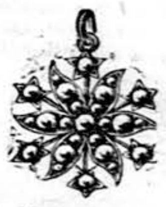

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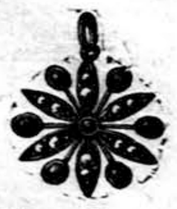

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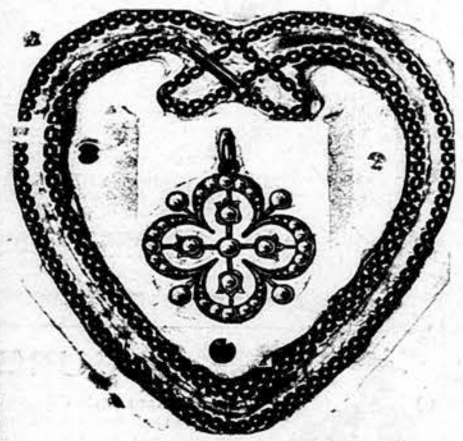

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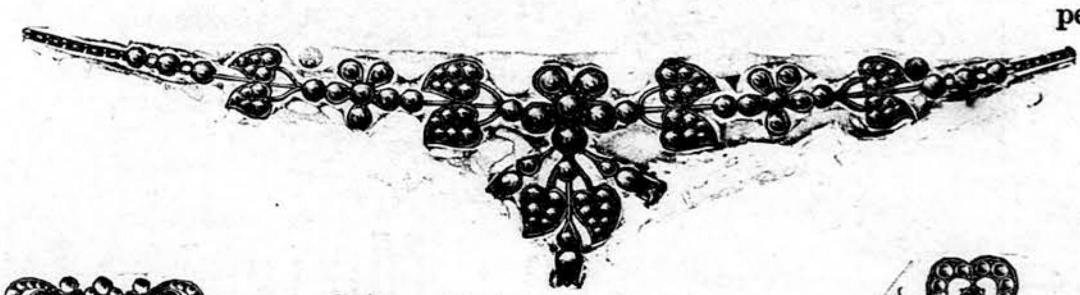

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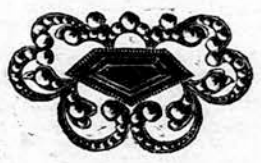

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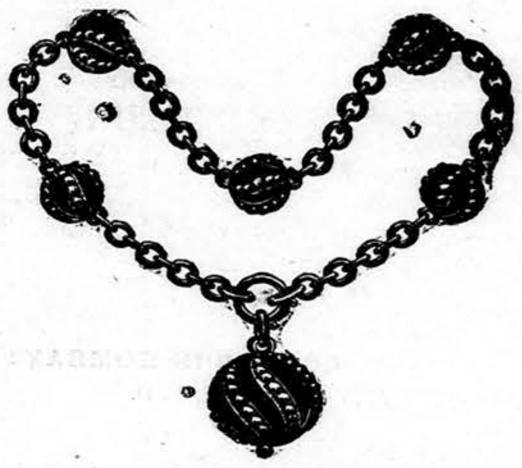

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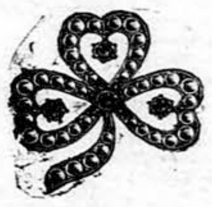

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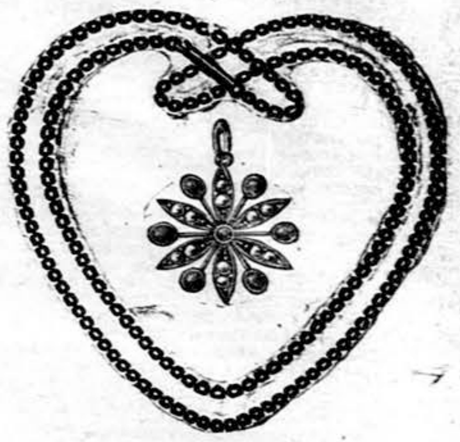

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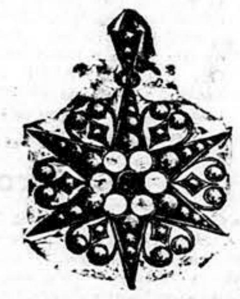

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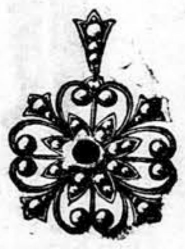

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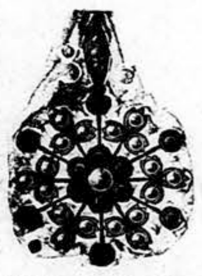

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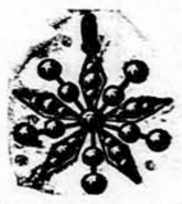

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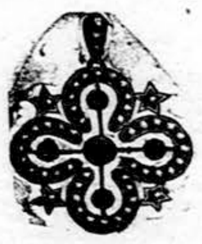

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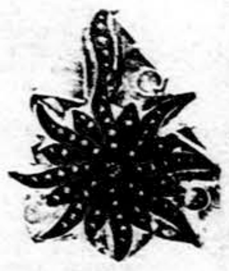

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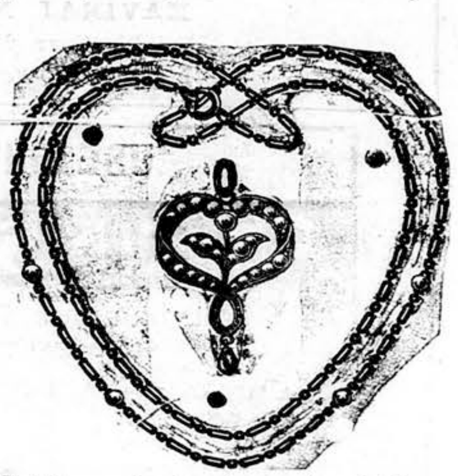

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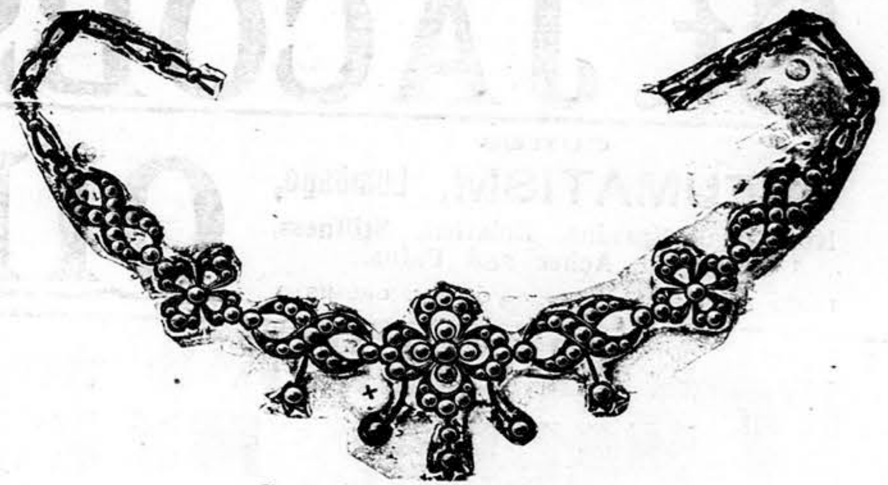

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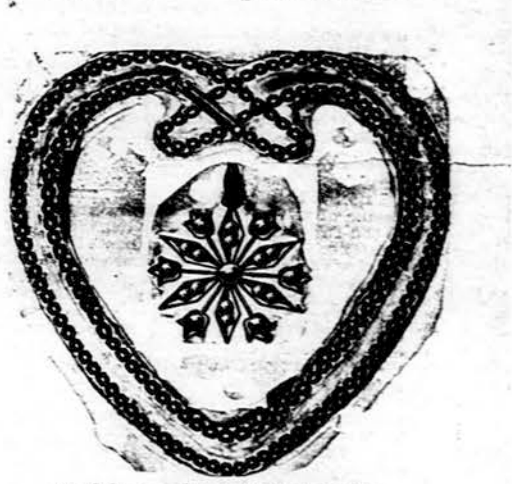

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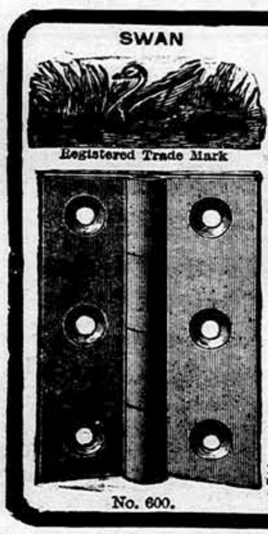

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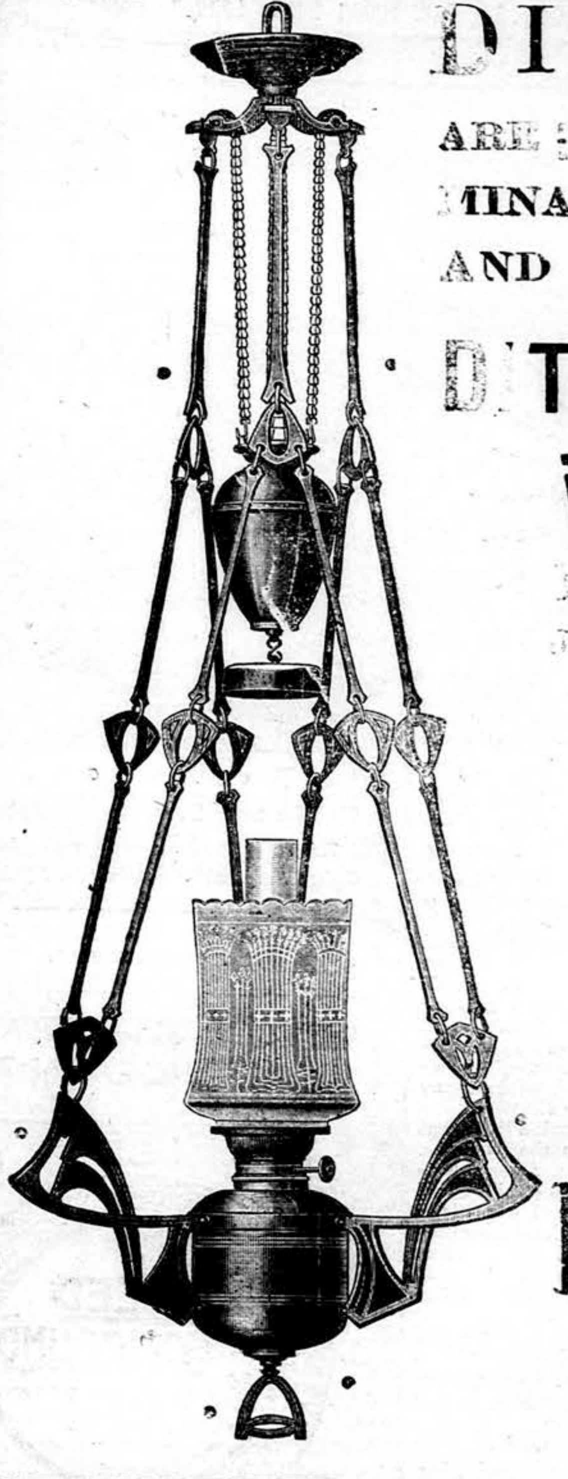

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